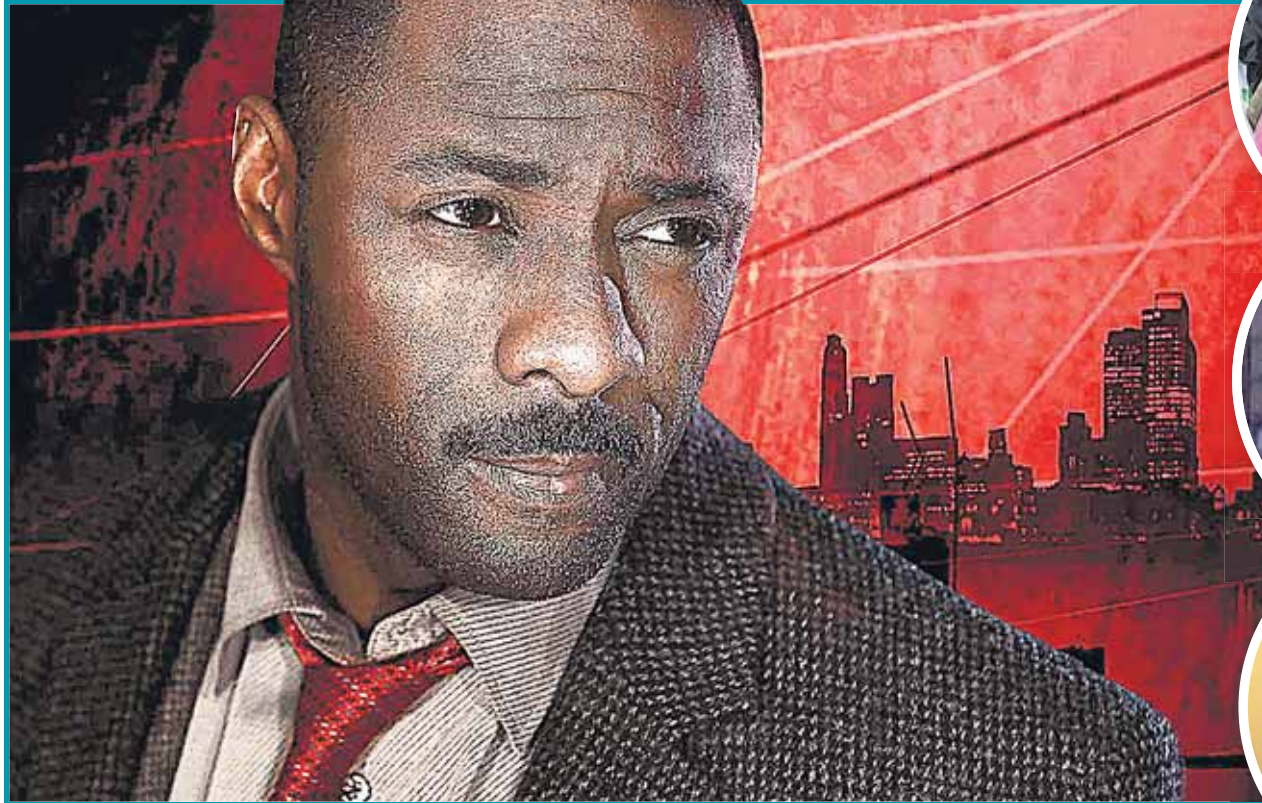


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WHAT AN HONOUR

VETERAN actress Barbara Windsor is now an official dame of the realm after being recognised in the Queen's New Year's honours list 2016.

The Shoreditch-born, 78-year-old, is best-known for her risqué roles in the 'Carry On' films and later as battle-axe pub landlady Peggy Mitchell in BBC soap 'EastEnders'.

The title, one of the highest honours awarded and equivalent to a knighthood, is in recognition of her services to charity and entertainment.

She said: "I'm so honoured, proud and extremely humbled. I feel so lucky to have a job I have always adored which has allowed me to be in a position where I'm able to help others. For a girl

from the East End born into a working-class family, this is truly like a dream, but it's real."

Joining her on the list is Hackney heartthrob and Hollywood superstar, Idris Elba, who described his OBE for services to drama as 'beyond special' in a tweet.

He said: "Awards and honours come in all shapes and sizes, but this is beyond special as it comes from Queen and country, and I couldn't be more proud. What a year. On me head son!"

The 43-year-old actor and DJ, who grew up in Holly Street estate, E8, rose to fame for his role as Stringer Bell in HBO hit crime series 'The Wire'.

The OBE caps a memorable 12-months for Elba, which has seen him receive two Golden

Globe nominations for his roles in the much-lauded BBC drama 'Luther' and Netflix's 'Beasts of No Nation'.

Also honoured was Carmel McConnell, who received an MBE for her services to school food. McConnell founded Magic Breakfast, a charity that ensures thousands of children have access to free, healthy food at the start of each day. The idea came to her after talking to headteachers in Hackney who said some of their pupils were too hungry to learn.

McConnell took immediate action, delivering breakfast to schools in Hackney every weekend. Soon after, she gave up her consultancy work in the City and re-mortgaged her house to set up Magic Breakfast.

That was a decade ago. Now

she is teaming up with major global breakfast brands with the hope of delivering her goal, not just in the UK but worldwide, and, in 2014, she was named a top 10 game changer in Radio 4's 'Women's Hour' power list.

McConnell said: "I hope receiving this honour means we can have more conversations with people who want to help us."

Dr Adi Cooper, Chair of City and Hackney Safeguarding Adults Board, was recognised with an OBE for services to adult social services, as a result of her work as former Director of Adult Social Services at Sutton Council.

Dr Cooper said she was 'thrilled' with the title, adding: "The honour is a tribute to all the people I have worked with over the years in adult social care."

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Traffic calming measures proposed for London Fields, such as a bus gate (above left) and a width restriction scheme (above right)

London Fields traffic calming measures

RESIDENTS are being urged to take part in a consultation to determine what traffic calming measures, if any, they would like to see introduced to the London Fields area.

The Council had planned to trial a road filtering scheme, which was due to begin early this year and would have seen 13 junctions closed to through-traffic, as part of the consultation process.

The traffic filtering scheme was proposed to support the Mayor of London's Cycling Vision, including a 'quietway' route through this area, and Council's priorities to reduce through-traffic and improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians in Hackney.

However, in response to local concerns and high levels of public interest, the Council announced that it

would instead undertake an extensive, independently analysed consultation with residents before a decision is made on whether to proceed with any traffic schemes in the area. The revised consultation is open until 27 March.

Five options were presented to residents at a public meeting held last month at Hackney Town Hall on 14 December. The audience had the chance to talk to the Council panel about their concerns and views, a summary of which, along with FAQs, can be viewed here: [news.hackney.gov.uk/london-](http://news.hackney.gov.uk/london-fields-traffic-scheme-updated-faqs/)

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The options are: an area-wide scheme (ie the original proposal of a multi-junction closure to through-traffic); closure of Middleton Road only; a Lansdowne Drive bus gate with possible Middleton Road closure; a Middleton Road width-restriction only; and other residents' ideas.

A consultation pack has been delivered to 11,500 homes in the affected area, but anyone interested in the proposals can comment online.

Residents who would

like a hard copy can write to: London Fields Consultation, Streetscene, Keltan House, 89-115 Mare Street, E8 4RU.

The consultation contains both closed style questions and opportunities to give fuller responses.

A series of drop-in sessions will be held in the coming weeks, at which residents can talk to officers about the options. These will take place at Queensbridge Sports and Community Centre, 30 Holly Street, E8, on: 27 January, 5-9pm; 17 February, 5-9pm; and 27 February, 3-7pm.

The Council will also arrange to meet with local residents' associations too.

London Fields traffic management scheme options

- Area-wide scheme (the original proposal of a multi-junction closure to through-traffic)
- Closure of Middleton Road only
- Lansdowne Drive bus gate with possible Middleton Road closure
- Middleton Road width-restriction only
- Residents' ideas

MORE INFO

To have your say, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/traffic-management.htm



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Photos: Mildmay

Children from Virginia School meet Prince Harry; one of Princess Diana's famous visits to Mildmay Hospital in the late 1980s (inset)

Like mother, like son

P RINCE Harry has toured the Hackney HIV hospital where Princess Diana made historic visits during the late 1980s, early 1990s.

Last month, the prince met patients and staff at Mildmay Hospital, which became the first hospice in Europe to care for those with the virus at the height of fears surrounding HIV in the 1980s.

Princess Diana radically reversed public perceptions of the condition when she was photographed kissing an AIDS patient at the hospital in 1989. In all, she made 17 visits to Mildmay, most of them in private and away from the glare of publicity.

Prince Harry's own visit, on 14 December, marked the official opening of the £6million site to which the hospital moved last year, as well as its 150th anniversary. He held hands with some of the most seriously ill patients

“Before [Princess Diana] came here... dentists wouldn't treat the staff and bricks were being thrown through our windows”



Prince Harry cuts Mildmay's 150th anniversary cake

and signed its guest book underneath a photograph of his mother.

Kerry Reeves-Kneip, the hospital's director of fundraising, told the prince of the enormous impact of his mother's visits. She said: “She came at such an important time. Before

she came here the local barbers wouldn't cut the hair of people who worked here, the banks wouldn't handle our money, dentists wouldn't treat the staff and bricks were being thrown through our windows.

“But after the picture of her shaking hands with

our patient and kissing him on the cheek went global, things changed.”

While medical advances mean that prospects for those with HIV have radically improved since Princess Diana's visits to the hospital, 100,000 people in the UK are still living with the condition. Mildmay is the only centre in Europe dedicated to rehabilitating the brain after impairment caused by HIV.

During Prince Harry's tour, one patient got down on her knees. He knelt with her and held her hand. Another, now 26, told him that she had met his mother as an HIV-positive two year-old child and remembered Princess Diana's hugs. “I remember that too,” the prince replied.

MORE INFO

For more info on Mildmay Hospital, visit: **www.mildmay.org;**
 call: 020 7613 6300; or
 e-mail: **info@mildmay.org**

News in brief

Have your say on changing the fees for local markets

THE Council is consulting on plans to reduce the £180,000 it spends every year on subsidising local markets. The money is currently being spent on clearing and disposing of waste generated by traders but, having already absorbed around £130million in funding cuts from Government, the Council is facing further reductions and cannot afford to continue subsidising the borough's markets.

It is proposing to increase the cost of pitches at some markets, with the aim of encouraging all of Hackney's markets to become self-funding.

The proposed changes would affect permanent and temporary traders at Ridley Road Market, Hoxton Street Market and at sites including Calvert Avenue, Clifton Street, Crown Place, Haggerston Station and Leonard Circus. New administration and application costs are also proposed.

The consultation closes on 15 February. For more info, or to have your say, visit: **consultation.hackney.gov.uk/parking-services/fees-and-charges**



Record-breaking £700,000 seized from rogue developer

A PRIVATE developer who defied planning law to build an illegal six-storey block of flats has been ordered to pay a UK record-breaking sum for a planning offence.

The owner of 34 privately-rented flats illegally benefited from the use of the property (pictured), built without planning permission in Stanway Street, Hoxton. Garland Development Limited, and the company's sole director Yusuf Sarodia, was sentenced last November for the offence of failing to demolish the property, after the Council served an enforcement notice in 2011.

As part of the case, the Council made an application to the court to confiscate money illegally made from the building under the Proceeds of Crime Act.



The sum of £700,000 is believed to be one of the biggest ever handed down for a planning crime. At present, Garland and Sarodia have yet to demolish the property. The Council will consider further enforcement if action is not taken.

feature

January

TALENTED young performers battled it out at the Alter Ego talent show on 30 January in front of a 1,000-strong audience at Hackney Empire. Singer Kali McLoughlin, 16, (pictured with Jermain Jackman above) won.

Tenants of the New Era estate in Hoxton celebrated following news that its owners, who wanted to hike rents, had sold the estate to an affordable housing provider.

Communities came together on 27 January for Holocaust Memorial Day, marking the 70th anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp.

The designer of the Tower of London poppy installation, Tom Piper (below), was among Hackney people recognised in the New Year Honours list. Others were nurse Eileen Sills; consultant nurse Matthew Hodson; Queensbridge Primary School

business manager, Tracy Cullen; Clapton Girls' Academy deputy headteacher, Judith Miln; conservationist Evelyn Mills; and head of the Government's economic service, David Ramsden.



February

THE borough's inaugural Posh Club (above), launched at St Paul's West Hackney. The social event, for over-60s, is designed for 'swanky senior citizens, elegant elders and glamorous golden girls'.

The Council unveiled plans to make Hackney a 20mph borough – with all main roads subject to the limit – in a bid to cut deaths and serious injuries from road traffic accidents.

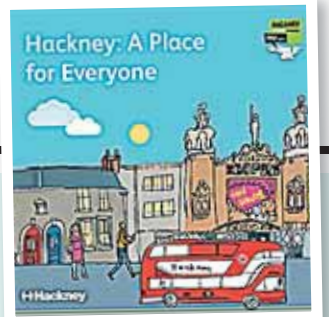
It was a good awards season for the borough, with Hackney people, past and present, picking up both an Oscar and a Brit. Filmmaker James Lucas won an Oscar for short film 'The Phone Call' on 22 February, and Paloma Faith (right) was named best solo female artist three days later at the Brit awards.



March

THE launch of 'Hackney: A Place for Everyone' took place on 18 March with a Question Time-style debate. The preview of the year-long engagement programme, during which the Council aimed to speak to as many residents as possible about the challenges facing the borough today, was chaired by a panel of experts.

Photographer Jenny Lewis, who captured Hackney mothers within 24 hours of giving birth, launched her project 'One Day Young'. The exhibition, which went on display at Boxpark in Shoreditch in March, told a story about the strength and resilience of 40 local women post-childbirth (below.)



The best of Hackney '15

April

NEARLY 2,000 people voted to help win £120,000 for a scheme that will link nature reserves in Hackney (left) and Walthamstow by a walking and cycling 'greenway'.

A teacher was reunited with lifeguards at Clissold Leisure Centre who saved him from drowning. Ed Bray, 35, returned to thank staff who pulled him from the pool, following an attack of hypoxia while underwater, and resuscitated him.

A spectacular light show (below) over West Reservoir, Stoke Newington, was the climax of a launch for a kaleidoscopic range of trainers by sportswear giant Adidas and music star Pharrell on 2 April.



May

THE nation went to the polls on 7 May in the UK General Election with the Conservative party securing a surprise majority government. Hackney bucked the national trend with both the borough's incumbent Labour MPs being re-elected with an increased majority.

Over 13,000 runners of all ages and abilities took part in the second Run Hackney half marathon on 10 May (left), which took in some of Hackney's best-loved landmarks.

The 32-acre Abney Park Cemetery celebrated its 175th anniversary with a series of free events. Some 200,000 souls have been laid to rest in the cemetery, now a much-loved wilderness in the heart of urban London (above).

June

NEARLY 900 children, parents and teachers took part in Bike Around the Borough on 18 June, just missing out on the world record for the number of people in a continuous line of bicycles, or 'bike bus' (below).

Residents held parties, picnics and cook offs across the borough to celebrate The Big Lunch on 7 June (above). Twenty-three tenant and resident associations held community events designed to encourage neighbours to get to know each other.

Two residents were included in the Queen's Birthday Honours list: Professor Jane Anderson, consultant physician and director of the Centre for the Study of Sexual Health and HIV at Homerton hospital; and Sarah Bailey, Executive Headteacher of Queensbridge Primary School, De Beauvoir School and Mapledene Children's Centre.





July

OVER 3,000 youngsters took part in 2015's Personal Bests programme, which encourages Hackney's schoolchildren to play sports and be healthy. The final took place on 1 July at Hackney Marshes (above).

Hackney's youth proved they are among the capital's sporting elite after winning a top 10 spot in the London Youth Games

and taking home the borough's biggest-ever medal haul.



Hundreds of animal lovers flocked to Clissold Park on 18 July for a fun-packed day of activities to promote animal welfare issues at the second 'Pets in the Park' event (left).

August

THERE was a mixture of excitement and relief across the borough as GCSE and A-level students picked up their results after months of hard work (above). The borough bucked the national trend with its GCSE results, as the overall number of pupils achieving five or more A* to C grades, including English and maths, rose by one percentage point. Hackney's A-level students also had cause to celebrate, with pupils achieving an overall pass rate of 98.4 per cent.

Hackney was awarded its highest ever number of Green Flags, with 19 parks (including Clissold below) able to fly the coveted symbol. Green Flags are the national benchmark for the best parks in Britain, and Hackney now has the fourth highest number in London.



September

HACKNEY proved it has got some serious flower power after residents, businesses and schools produced some amazing entries for the annual Hackney in Bloom competition. Green-fingered locals dug, planted, potted and grew throughout the year, and the best of the bunch were recognised at an awards evening on 10 September.

Residents lined the streets as Hackney One Carnival performers danced, sang and shimmied their way through the borough on 13 September (above).



A Hackney great-grandmother, Alice Burke, was named the Daily Mirror's 'Pride of Britain Local Hero' for her tireless fight against crime on her estate. Alice, 78, (left) was presented with the award by Barbara Windsor at a star-studded ceremony in Mayfair on 28 September.

Hackney Today looks back on another amazing year – from superb sporting events across the borough to top accolades for residents

October

HACKNEY celebrated Black History Month with a series of events, highlighting everything from African fashion, to the borough's links to slavery and its subsequent abolition (inset).

Seven bands from East London took part in a live contest in front of a judging panel of industry experts on 2 October. The Gateway 2 Music Live event was part of a project that helps young people, aged 14 to 24, find a route into music (below).

A tonne of soil from Hackney Marshes was transported to the Tate Modern's Turbine Hall on 12 October where it made up part of a huge installation called 'Empty Lot'.



November

THE 10th annual Hackney Sports Awards celebrated the achievements of local clubs, schools, students, older people, coaches and volunteers, on 4 November, at the Hackney Empire (inset, above right).

Hundreds of residents joined ex-servicemen and women to honour the borough's war dead at a Remembrance Sunday parade and church service on 8 November (above).

Residents and visitors alike were wowed by Hackney's Fireworks Show on 7 November. The stunning spectacle of pyrotechnics, synchronised to music, returned to Clissold Park in Stoke Newington, for the second year running. The event theme, chosen by residents, was 'superheroes' (right).



December



FEE, fi, fo, fun! 2015's panto (above) from Hackney Empire, 'Jack and the Beanstalk', was on a giant scale with big personalities, vast voices and colossal skirts – and proved to be a big hit with both critics and audiences.

Hundreds of residents gathered at Hackney Town Hall on 4 December for a festive and informative afternoon of fun, laughter and lifestyle tips. The Hackney Homes' Winter Warmer event gave over-55s access to a range of free services, as well as a chance to socialise with friends.

Woodberry Down Winter Fest brought the community together to enjoy food, games and festive music. The Redmond Community Centre was buzzing with cheer on 9 December, as over 400 residents enjoyed each others' company (right).



Pick up a new skill this year!

Part-time courses for adults starting in the New Year

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Course	Day and time	Starts	Ends
Arts and Craft			
Drawing and Painting	Mon 7-9pm	11 Jan	21 Mar
Drawing and Painting	Thu 2-4:30pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Drawing and Painting	Thu 6:30-8:30pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Pottery/Ceramics	Tue 3-5:30pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Pottery/Ceramics	Tue 6:30-8:30pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Pottery/Ceramics	Wed 3-5pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Pottery/Ceramics	Thu 6:30-8:30pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Car / Motorcycle maintenance			
Car Maintenance	Tue 6:30-8:30pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Motorcycle Maintenance Workshop	Tue 6:30-9pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Clothesmaking			
Clothesmaking Beginners	Mon 7-9pm	11 Jan	21 Mar
Clothesmaking Beginners	Tue 10am-12:30pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Clothesmaking Mixed	Tue 7-9pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Clothesmaking Intermediate	Wed 1:30-4pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Clothesmaking Mixed	Thu 7-9pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Corsetry	Tue 6:30-8:30pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Patchwork	Mon 10am-12pm	11 Jan	21 Mar
Pattern Cutting	Mon 7-9pm	11 Jan	21 Mar
Cookery			
Cake Decorating Beginners	Mon 7-9pm	11 Jan	21 Mar
Cake Decorating Beginners	Thu 7-9pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Cake Decorating Intermediate	Sat 10am-2:30pm	16 Jan	13 Feb
Cake Decorating (Sugar Flower Making)	Sat 10am-2:30pm	27 Feb	26 Mar

Course	Day and time	Starts	Ends
Cookery (continued)			
Cakes and Patisserie	Tue 7-9pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Cakes and Patisserie	Wed 7-9pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Cookery	Wed 3:30-6pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Food Safety in Catering	Sat 9am-5pm	23 Jan	23 Jan
Food Safety in Catering	Sat 9am-5pm	19 Mar	19 Mar
Dance			
Egyptian Dance Beginners	Wed 6-7:30pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Driving Theory			
Driving Theory	Mon 7-9pm	11 Jan	22 Feb
Home Maintenance			
Home Maintenance – Electrical	Thu 7-9pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Basic Plumbing	Sat 10am-12pm	16 Jan	26 Mar
Languages			
French Beginners	Tue 7-9pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
French Improvers	Thu 6:30-8:30pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Spanish Beginners	Wed 7-9pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Spanish Improvers	Tue 7-9pm	12 Jan	22 Mar
Swahili Improvers	Wed 7-9pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Swahili Beginners	Thu 7-9pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Turkish Beginners	Thu 7-9pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Music			
Guitar Beginners	Wed 7-8:30pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Guitar Improvers	Wed 7:30-9:30pm	13 Jan	23 Mar
Singing Workshop Beginners	Mon 7-9pm	11 Jan	21 Mar

Course	Day and time	Starts	Ends
Photography			
Photography Beginners	Mon 6:30-9pm	11 Jan	21 Mar
Photography Intermediate	Thu 6:30-9pm	14 Jan	24 Mar
Tiling			
Tiling – Wall	Sat 9am-3:30pm	13 Feb	13 Feb
Tiling – Floor	Sat 9am-3:30pm	5 Mar	5 Mar

Certificated courses

Bookkeeping			
Bookkeeping Level 1	Sat 10am-1pm	16 Jan	26 Mar
Bookkeeping Level 2	Sat 1:30-4:30pm	16 Jan	26 Mar
Counselling			
Award in Introduction to Counselling Skills	Thu 6-9pm	15 Jan	24 Mar
Electrical			
Electrical Installations Verification and Certification Level 3	Thu 7-9pm	7 Jan	17 Mar
Sport			
YMCA Level 2 Fitness Instructing	Mon 9.30am-6pm	22 Feb	20 Jun

Discounted costs on some courses for unemployed people receiving an active state benefit.

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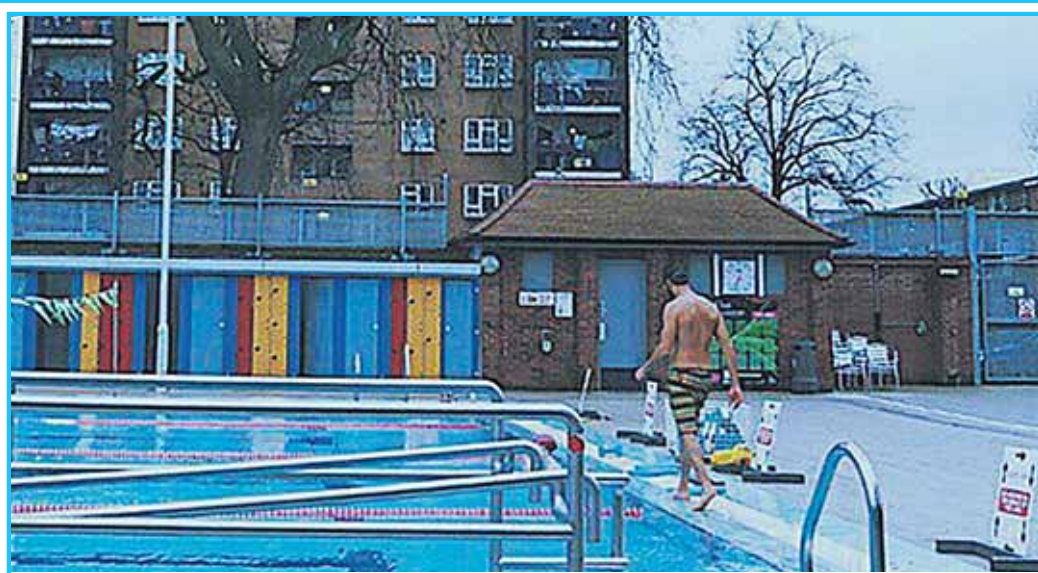
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All going swimmingly

By **Harriet Worsley**

YOU see that final shot, where we all jump into the reservoir together?

It was 4am. The water was freezing. We had to do about 20 takes to get it right. But it was worth it, to get our message out."

Nathaniel Cole is explaining how a casual decision he made to start swimming with two friends, ended up with 14 people taking a leap into Stoke Newington's West Reservoir to create an advert that has been beamed into cinemas and living rooms across the country.

"Swim Dem Crew started in 2013, with just me, Peigh Asante and Emily Deyn," he explains. Adding: "We all knew each other from Run Dem Crew and realised we were swimming at the London Fields Lido, just

at different times. So we started swimming together."

It is hard to define Run Dem Crew. Set up in 2007, it isn't a running club, but more a 'community' which runs together every week, and takes part in races across the world. Since it now has over 200 weekly members, 'phenomenon' might be a better word to describe it, and the community that sprang from it, includes the Swim Dem Crew.

"We didn't want to join a club, but swimming alone can be a bit boring. For us it's as much about the community as the exercise," adds Nathaniel, who has lived in Hackney all his life.

Sessions take place every Monday evening and Saturday morning at different locations around London. Membership to the crew is free, and swimmers pay the cost of entry to the pool.

“With swimming it's just you and the water. It takes you away from everything else”

Nathaniel explains: "They're an hour long, and we break into three different groups – tadpoles, dolphins and sharks – depending on ability."

Last year, Peigh got a call from a casting director about Swim Dem appearing in an advert for Google Android. He recalls: "Before we knew it, they were saying the advert was going to air during the England friendly and X Factor, plus in cinemas!"

When the advert came out, telling the story of co-founder Peigh teaching himself how to swim after injuring his leg and then inspiring other crew members to take the plunge, they had 200 applications

for membership.

"Now we open up membership every four months or so and, sadly, we can't take everyone who applies, otherwise we'd turn up at pools and swamp them," says Nathaniel.

Helping people is a big part of Swim Dem's mission. They recently supported Swim Hackney, a pilot scheme funded by the Council, which aims to break down the barriers preventing adults from learning to swim. Fifteen non-swimmers were taught the skill through twice-weekly sessions at London Fields Lido and Clissold Leisure Centre.

This summer, the crew also collaborated with TV

presenter Andy Akinwolere on the Swim Challenge programme.

Nathaniel explains: "We assisted two teachers to train a group of young people in the pool. Then, when they were ready, we took them into the open water and scared the life out of them! It's so different out there, it's dark, you can't see the bottom, there's nothing to hold on to..."

It took a lot of persuading and mentoring to keep some of them in the programme, but finally they took the group to Manchester to swim a mile in open water in the Great North Swim.

"I swam alongside a girl who came in last, and when we got to the finishing line everyone was there, clapping and cheering," says Nathaniel.

Adding: "That's got to count as one of my top moments. When you teach someone to swim you show

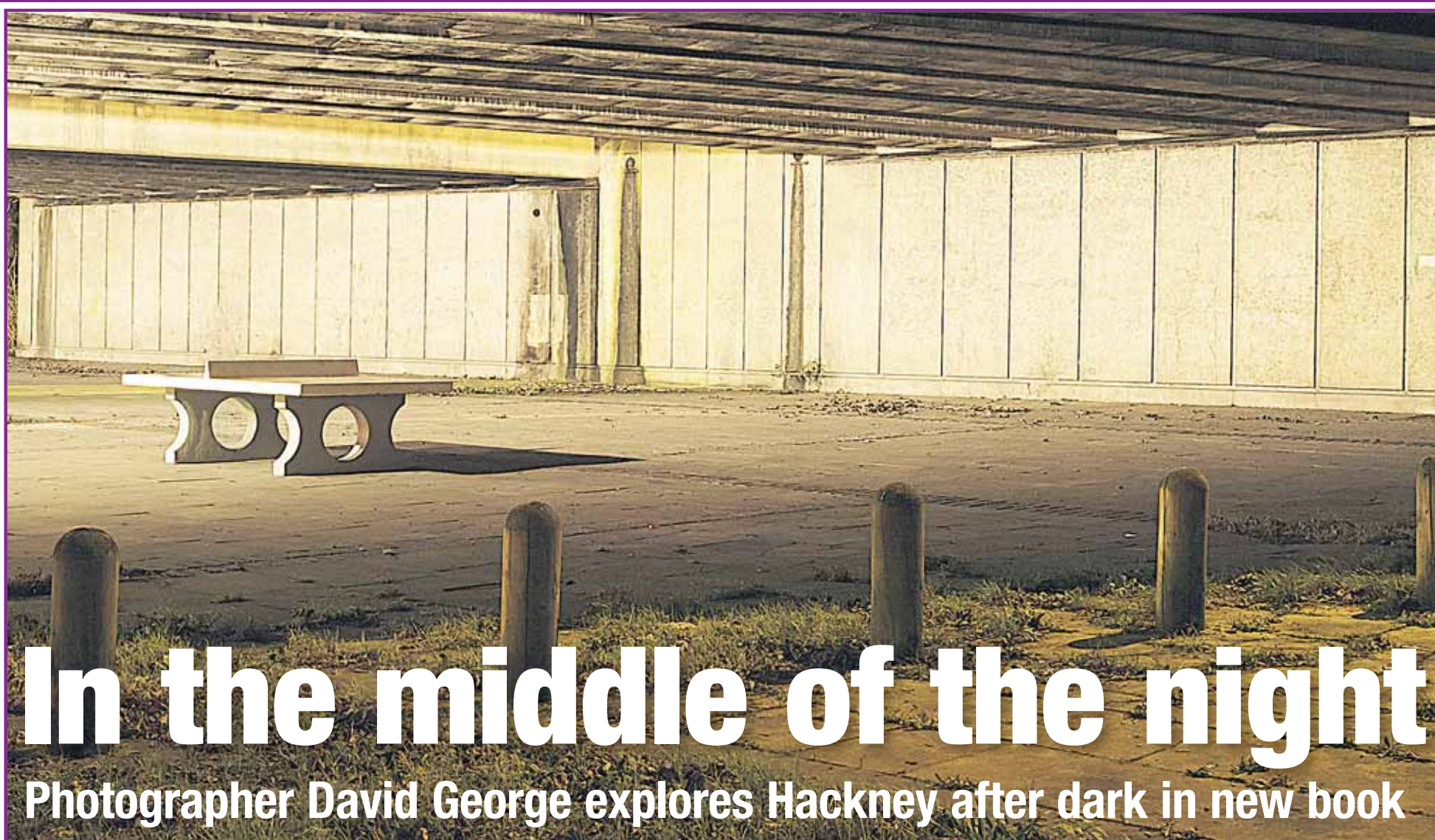
them that, when you stick at something, you can achieve it. It gives you self-belief."

Swimming has worked its magic on Nathaniel too. Since starting Swim Dem, he has given up his job at a design agency and become a full-time swimming teacher.

He says: "The thing about swimming, is that you can really zone out. I love running, but when you're doing it there are loads of distractions: you can be listening to music, traffic, the sounds of the street. With swimming it's just you and the water. It takes you away from everything else."

MORE INFO

To find out more, visit: www.swimdemcrew.co.uk; or: www.instagram.com/swimdemcrew



In the middle of the night

Photographer David George explores Hackney after dark in new book

David George's photographs reveal the unexpected beauty of the borough in the middle of the night. 'Hackney By Night' is published by Hoxton Mini Press

By **Harriet Worsley**

THE trouble with going out at night is that there's always something to fall into," says photographer David George. Adding: "I've stumbled off ledges and walked into big ditches, but I always hold the camera over my head. I'd rather break my leg than my camera."

The photographer is discussing the process behind his new book, 'Hackney by Night', which was published at the end of last year by Hoxton Mini Press. Accompanied by a short story from the journalist Karen Falconer, are a series of eerily still and hauntingly beautiful photographs of the borough landscapes, taken between November

2014 and June 2015.

Each photo is strikingly different: a giant tower block in one, a low underpass in the next, an undisturbed stretch of water and willow trees in yet another. Capturing each, however, meant wandering the streets until 3am.

"It started because I couldn't sleep," he explains, adding: "So instead of pacing the house aimlessly I started grabbing my camera and the dog and going out."

David had been taking night photos, and perfecting the long exposure that gives these images their almost supernatural luminescence, for about 30 years before Hoxton Mini Press approached him with the idea of turning them into a book.

He says: "I didn't want to cherry-pick photos from previous projects, so instead

“When you limit your focus to one geographical area, you explore other things in greater depth”

I offered to make a book of new photos. When you limit your focus to one geographical area, you explore other things in greater depth. You see seasonal changes through the book, for example, a good wintry mist in one photo, green shoots in another..."

Having lived in the borough since 1991, that focus became Hackney. David had a map made up of the area and pinned it to his wall. He says: "Everything I photographed was within a mile-and-a-half of Hackney Town Hall. Before a shoot, I'd mark an

area up in colour, and write on it when I came back. It's actually quite a beautiful map to have in the house."

Further preparations were necessary too. He recalls: "I would always walk the route in the daytime first because you need to examine the area properly before exploring it in the dark. Sometimes accessing places is difficult at night, so I'd spend the daylight hours with the dog, looking for hidden ways in and out."

The explorations had their benefits though. "There's an awful lot of water in Hackney. That's something you don't really

notice till you walk. And I wanted to bring out those wilder sides of the area, as well as its more urban scenes," he says.

When a night shoot finally took place, it would be just him and his camera in the darkness. David explains: "People often think I use lots of equipment or Photoshop on my photos, but it's really just street lamps, or moonlight and a long exposure."

Alone and exploring disused buildings and dark underpasses, was he ever frightened by the stillness? He laughs: "I've worked on my own at night for years, so I don't find it creepy. People are probably more scared to come across me than vice versa. In silhouette, my camera looks a little like an axe..."

He did, however, meet a

surprising number of people while out on his shoots.

David recalls: "There are more people around at that time than you'd think. People coming home drunk, people who can't sleep, those with problems... I'm a curiosity and people stop to chat. I like meeting them."

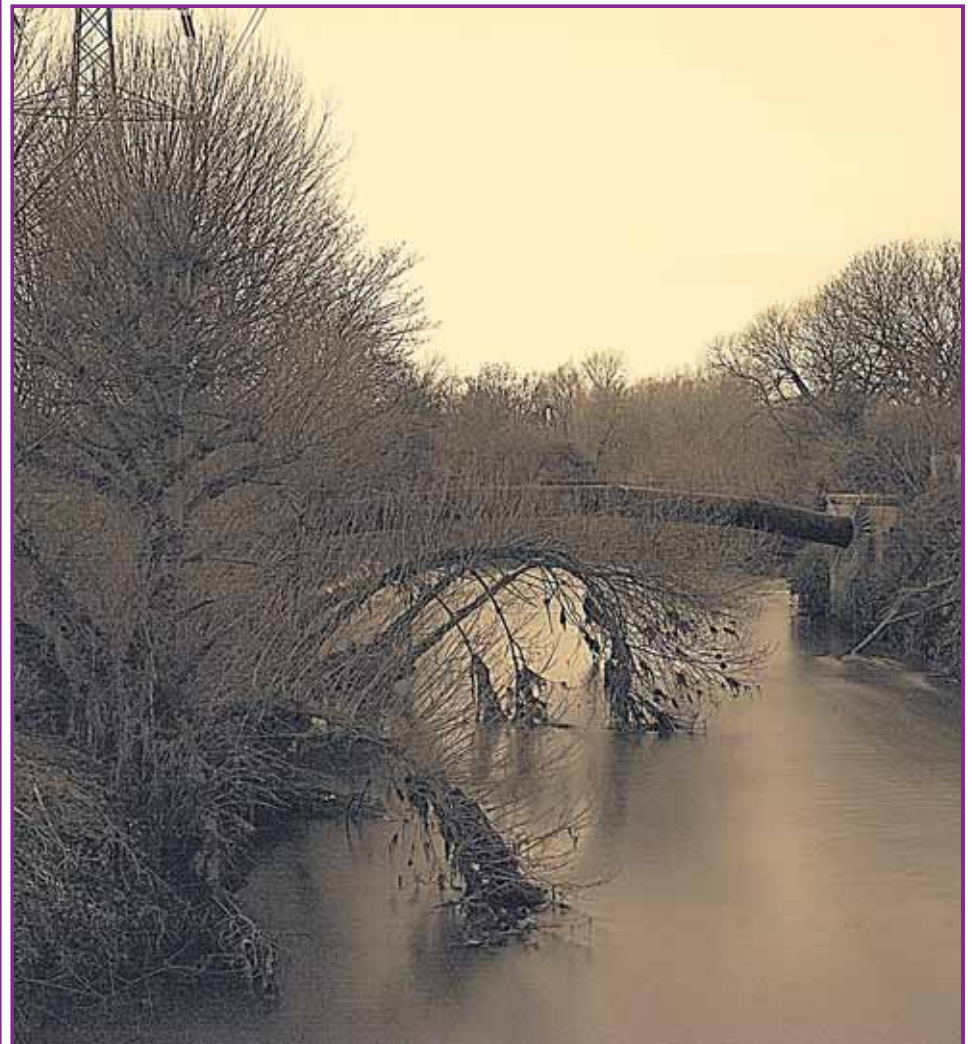
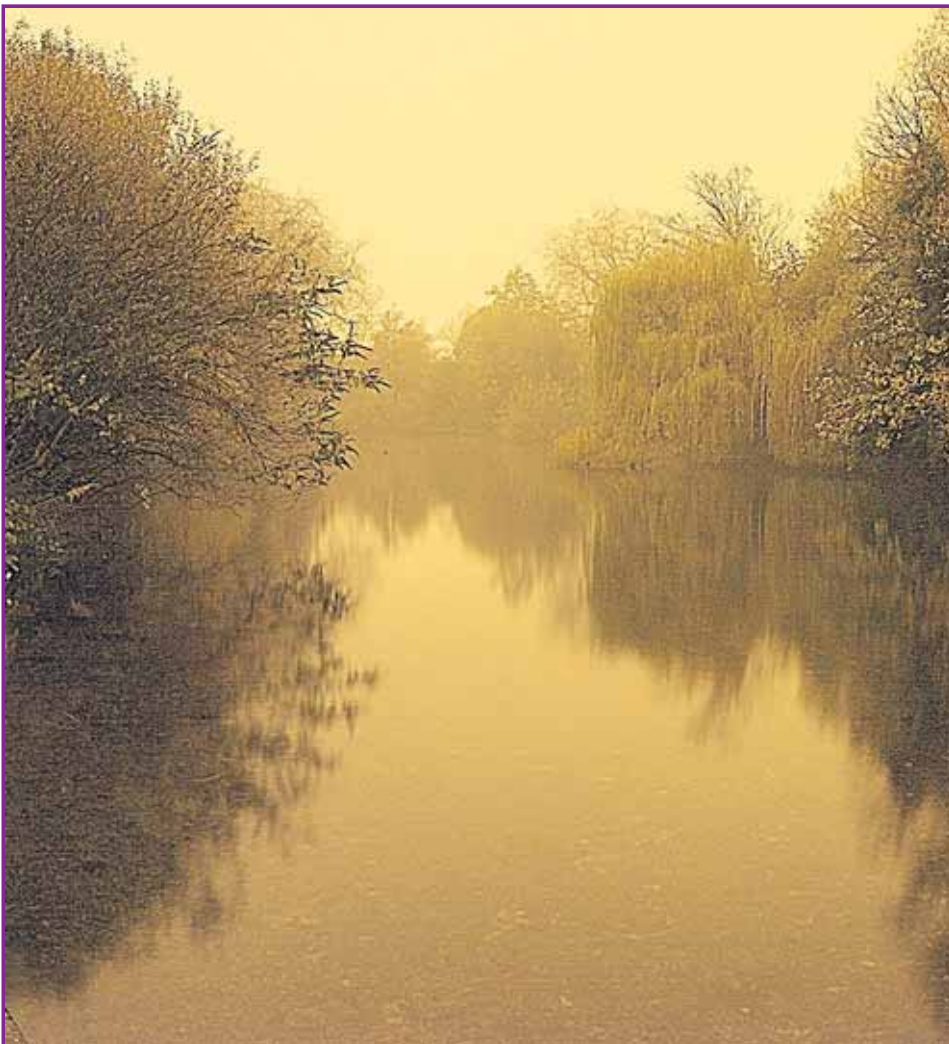
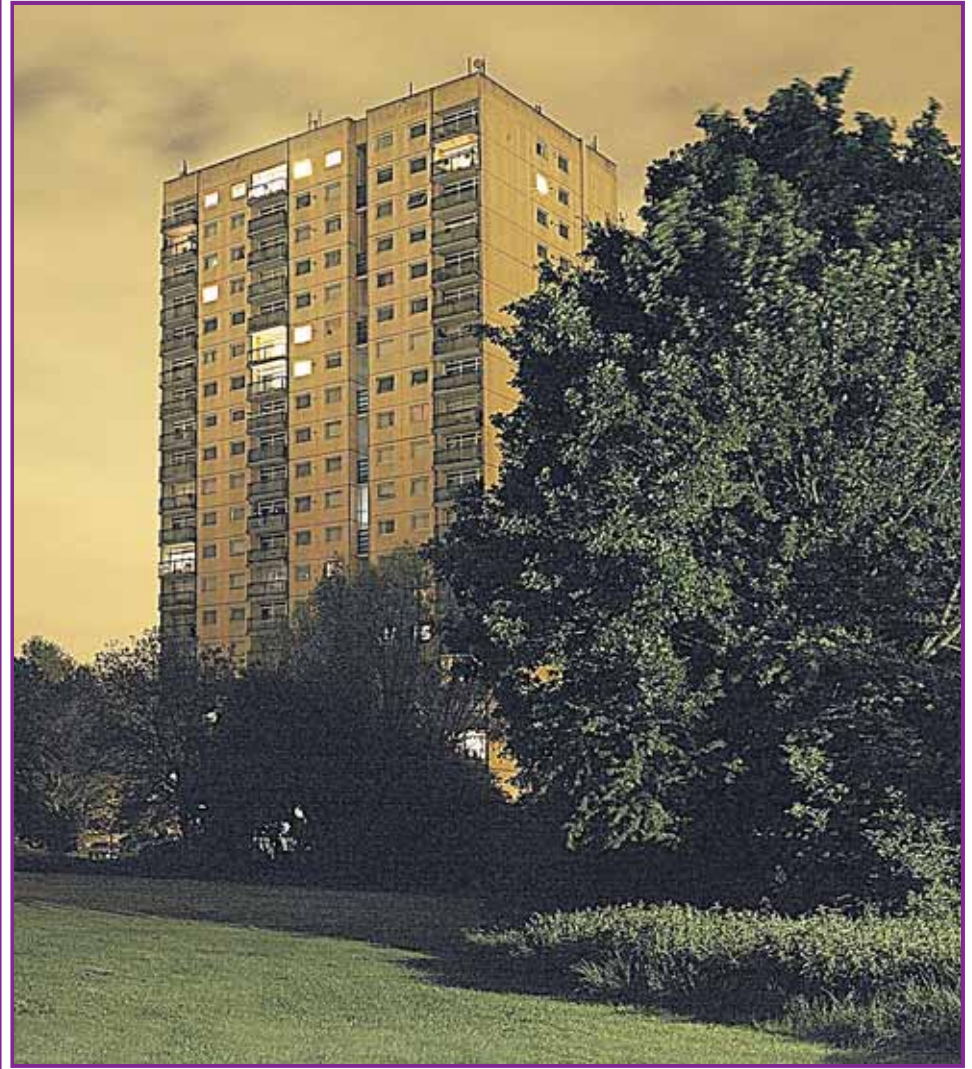
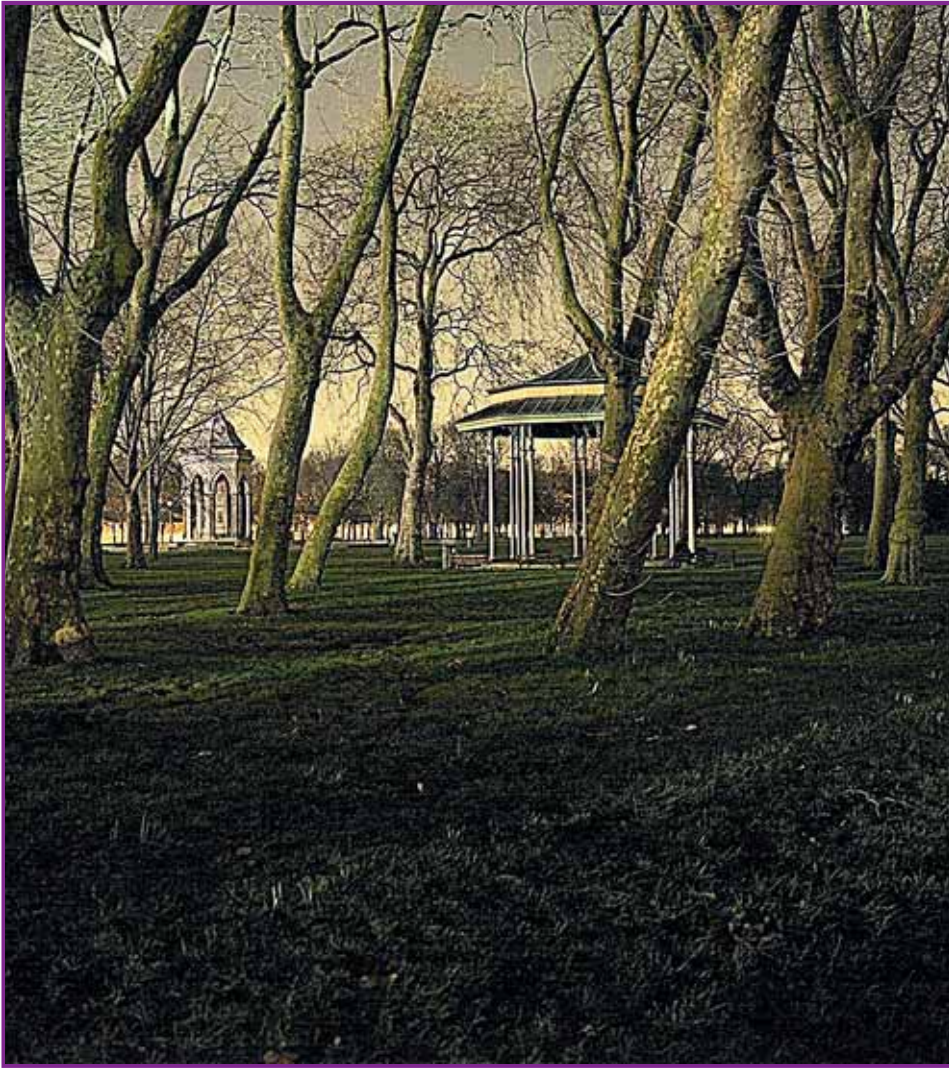
There is, he points out, a great history of walking through London at night. Charles Dickens was a fan, as was Samuel Pepys. He says: "It makes for a big adventure, and I really hope that comes across in the pictures."

MORE INFO

i 'Hackney by Night' is published by Hoxton Mini Press and costs £12.95. For more info, or to order a book, visit: www.hoxtonminipress.com/

David George has been a
photographer for over 35 years
and lives and works in Hackney

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Developing young potential

Colette Allen, Director for youth charity Hackney Quest, talks to Hackney Today about the work the charity does in supporting young people and families in the community (inset)

By **Harriet Worsley**

COLETTE Allen had never worked with young people, or even in the charity sector, when 15 years ago, she applied for a job at Hackney Quest.

She just had a sense that she wanted to do something more meaningful than her old role in communications, when she spotted a job advertised in the local paper. She applied, got the position and is still there today, but as the charity's director. She says: "From the moment I walked in the door I loved it so much that it was impossible to leave."

Hackney Quest, a charity that works to support young people and families in the borough, first opened its doors in 1988. When Colette joined, as an administrator, it was running, she says 'out of a shop front, effectively, on Well Street'.

Today, the charity has grown enormously

but, adds Colette: "The atmosphere is just the same as it was on my first day. I felt it as soon as I entered: it was warm and personal and supportive and I thought, this is where I want to be."

Seeing the impact that the charity was having on the young people who came through its doors, changed the course of her life. She explains: "Sometimes, in those first years, I would see young people in really difficult or complicated situations and just want to take them home with me. But you can't take them all in."

Instead, she trained in youth work and, after having her second child, returned to the charity in 2003 as a project manager and then, a couple of years later, as its director.

She adds: "I had to learn all the skills on the job. Everything from volunteer management to fundraising, via budgeting. We do some of the hardest work in the community,

"I would see young people in really difficult or complicated situations and just want to take them home"

while simultaneously having to raise the money to make it happen. It only works because we have such a great board of directors and such a strong team. We all support each other."

In 2004, the charity moved to new and bigger premises. From a staff of three, with 20 volunteers when Colette joined, it grew to a staff of six, with

around 70 volunteers.

From one core project, the charity expanded its efforts to encompass the multiple projects it runs today, from family support to the Frampton Park Youth and Family Centre, which opened in 2012.

Colette continues: "Sometimes there's a fear of young people, so the centre brings the generations within its

community together. It's a youth club in the evening, but also hosts running clubs, lunches, coffee mornings and projects for the socially isolated. It's worked so well, it's held up as a model for community centres on housing estates."

As the charity has grown, Colette's children have too. "My kids come to the projects," she says, adding: "My 12-year-old was saying only yesterday that she wants to get involved."

The young people Colette met when she first joined the charity have grown-up too. One girl, who was 10 when Colette first encountered her, is now 24 and volunteering at the place that helped her as a child.

"Sometimes, it's hard to measure the impact you're having, but we know it's huge and she illustrates that for me, she's what it's all about," says Colette.

Then, there's the little boy she met when she first joined the charity.

"He was a real cheeky

chappy, but so vulnerable, I used to stay up worrying that something truly terrible was going to happen to him, but the next day, he'd turn up again."

Today, he is 25-years-old and still pops in to the charity regularly.

"I give him a huge hug and I tell him 'you give me hope for every young person'," says Colette.

More typically, of course, it works the other way round: the charity giving young people hope.

She adds: "I saw a young man walking down the road the other day. Then in Tesco I recognised him as one of our young people and said hello. He turned to me in this gruff voice and said 'Those days at Hackney Quest were the best of my life, you know?'"

Curriculum Vitae: Colette Allen

1968	Born in Edinburgh
1984	Leaves school to go to college
1991	Moves to London
2001	Joins Hackney Quest
2003	Appointed Project Manager
2005	Becomes Director of the charity
2004	Hackney Quest moves to bigger premises on Poole Road
2010	Hackney Quest starts its Family Support Project

MORE INFO

For more info on Hackney Quest, visit: www.hackneyquest.org.uk; or call: 020 8533 5480



How do I dispose of my Christmas tree?

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Leave it outside your property, visible from the road, before your normal collection day. Trees put out after 15 January will be collected with your fortnightly garden waste collection.

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Leave the tree next to the bins in your bin store.

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Building managers need to arrange a collection. Please call **020 8356 6688** or email recycling.team@hackney.gov.uk

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8am to 12 noon on Saturdays.

Remember to take all the decorations off and save them for next year!

Christmas trees will be shredded and turned into compost to be used in Hackney's parks and gardens.





The Council would like to rename Hackney Road Recreation Ground after Thomas Fairchild, a 17th century horticulturist (inset)

Fairchild's legacy

A HACKNEY park could be renamed after one of the godfathers of modern botany if residents back the proposed change.

The Council would like to rename Hackney Road Recreation Ground, on Hackney Road, after Thomas Fairchild, a 17th century horticulturist whose experiments helped establish the fact that plants have a sex.

Fairchild, who lived in Hoxton and is laid to rest in the park – a former burial ground of nearby St Leonard's Church – also created the world's first 'man-made' flower when he successfully grew an

“ I think it's right to honour one of Hackney most prominent forward-thinkers ”

artificial hybrid plant.

He wrote extensively on his findings, and published a book in 1722, called 'The City Gardener', which identified the trees, plants, shrubs, and flowers that thrive best in London.

The Council is also exploring the idea of holding a regular market in the park to boost user numbers. Suggested attractions could include stalls selling food, vintage wares, farm produce, and

handmade items.

Cllr Jonathan McShane, Cabinet Member for Health, Social Care and Culture, said: "I think it's right to honour one of Hackney's most prominent forward-thinkers when we're looking to broaden the horizons of the park.

"Tell us how you use the park and what changes, if any, you want to see made, to help us create a green space that's better for all."

The renaming of

the recreation ground is supported by the Worshipful Company of Gardeners, the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, St Leonard's Church and the park user group.

The consultation closes on 5 February. Hard copies of the survey can be picked up and dropped off at Café 12, 57 Hackney Road, or at Shoreditch Library, Hoxton Street.

MORE INFO

View the consultation and have your say at: www.hackney.gov.uk/hackney-road-recreation-ground

News in brief

Training on environmental projects available to residents

RESIDENTS are being given the opportunity to gain work experience in environmental projects to build careers in the housing sector, thanks to a partnership between Hackney Homes and Manor House Development Trust. The trust runs a range of environmental projects in the north of the borough, with support from the Big Lottery Fund, to help residents manage the effects of climate change.

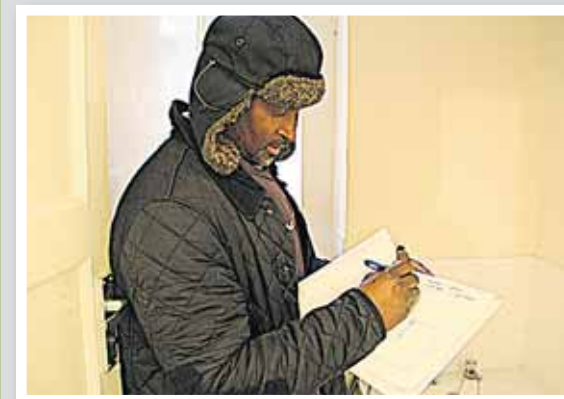
As part of this project, people have been given free accredited training as energy advisors, including on-the-job experience.

They have been delivering free home surveys across a number of Hackney estates, checking for damp and condensation, as well as offering energy saving advice. Four trainees then went on to secure paid positions in the industry.

Kev Walsh, a former gas engineer from Clapton who took part in the training and carried out more than 200 damp and condensation surveys for Hackney Homes, said: "I think energy efficiency is a really important issue for people living in Hackney and it was great to get this training and work experience."

Cllr Feryal Demirci, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Sustainability, added: "This partnership is a great example of helping local residents gain new skills and practical work experience that will help them with their careers."

For more info on the free energy advice training, visit: www.mhdt.org.uk



Have an old computer? Donate to the 'laptops for homeless support' project



The 'Laptops for Homeless Support' project in Hackney

HACKNEY'S homeless are to receive a boost from a new initiative recycling discarded laptops and distributing them among charities working with marginalised people.

The 'Laptops for Homeless Support' project is the brainchild of social enterprise Socialbox.biz, which is working

in partnership with the homelessness charity Thames Reach. It aims to make use of the estimated two million working computers that are thrown away every year and upcycle them to be re-formatted and given to people in need.

Peter Paduh, Chairman of SocialBox.biz, said: "We

take computers no longer needed and arrange for them to be refurbished. We give them to those who need them most to gain access to information technology and search for employment."

Jeremy Swain, Chief Executive of Thames Reach London, added: "These computers

will give the homeless and marginalised people who receive them the opportunity to communicate with friends and relatives and improve their skills and employment prospects."

For more info, or to donate an old laptop, visit: www.socialbox.biz/homeless-support/



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TOP FIVE

There's so much to do in and around Hackney. From theatre to club nights, art exhibitions to community events. Here's our pick of what's on this fortnight:

1. SECRET AGENT

An exhibition composed from the viewpoint of feminist authorship

► See Art & Exhibitions

2. COOKING ON A BUDGET

Learn to cook delicious international recipes for less than £1 per portion

► See Courses

3. FREE YOUR SPINE

This class consists of eight movement sequences, focusing on spinal flexibility and mobility

► See Health, Fitness & Sport

4. 90S KARAOKE

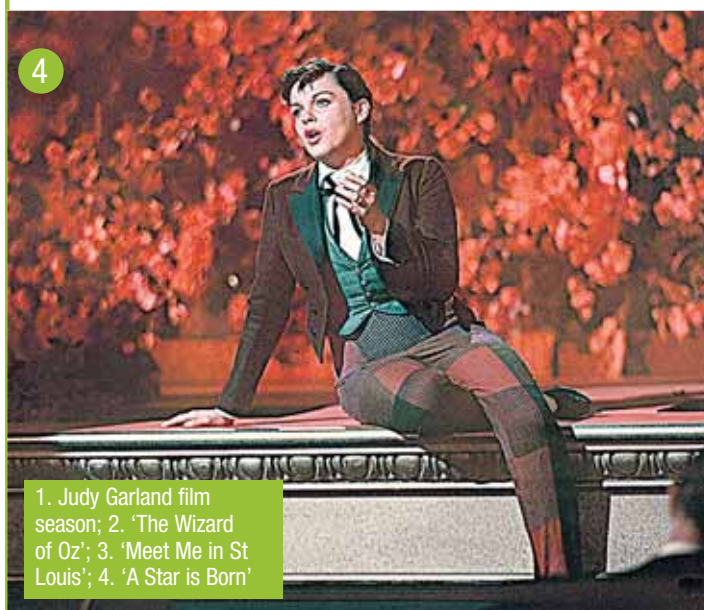
The Macbeth delivers three rooms of 90s karaoke, with a photo booth, games room and more

► See Nightlife

5. DOTTIR

A new play about the strength of the female voice told by some of Shakespeare's iconic characters

► See Theatre & Live Entertainment



1. Judy Garland film season; 2. 'The Wizard of Oz'; 3. 'Meet Me in St Louis'; 4. 'A Star is Born'



PREVIEW

Judy Garland Film Season

24 January, 291 Mare Street, E8 1EJ

SOMEWHERE, over the rainbow... Or, actually, across Mare Street, there is a musical film wonderland being created.

Hackney Empire's new film season, sponsored by Matcham's Motion Pictures, kicks off with a celebration of the work of iconic actress and singer Judy Garland.

On 24 January, the Empire will screen three films starring one of the greatest movie stars of the 20th century. The programme

begins at 11.30am with the film that shot Garland to stardom: 1939's 'The Wizard of Oz'. This will be followed, at 2pm, by 'Meet Me in St Louis', arguably the greatest musical ever made. The grand tribute to Garland will conclude with the 1954 musical 'A Star is Born' from 5pm. By end of the programme you'll be left with no doubt that, in Garland's case, one really was. Tickets cost £10, with a £2 off per ticket offer when booking more than one film.

► For more info, visit: www.hackneyempire.co.uk

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ART & EXHIBITIONS

SECRET AGENT

Until 30 Jan, 12noon-6pm

Secret Agent is an exhibition composed from the viewpoint of feminist authorship in contemporary art practices. The artists actively challenge the institutional structure of history and imagine alternative narratives, often through the specificity of lens-based media. The legacy of radical image/text practice in the 1970s and 1980s are central to the development of this exhibition. Free. All ages. Sunbury House, 1 Andrews Road, E8 4QL. **Info: 07768 654 317; www.hemera-collective.com**

HIBERNATE

**Until 31 Jan, Tues-Sun
12noon-6pm**

This curated group exhibition features hand-picked artworks

from 2015's leading urban and contemporary artists including Banksy, Harland Miller and Sir Peter Blake. New and exclusive works will also feature. Free. All ages. Hang-Up Gallery, 81 Stoke Newington Road, N16 8AD. **Info: 020 3667 4550; www.hanguppictures.com/exhibition/hibernate**



STOUR COLLECTIVE

Until 1 Feb, 9am-5pm

Stour Space Gallery presents a collective exhibition by studio residents over the past year. Expect a diverse range of practice, from fine art and illustrative work, to sculpture,

fashion and videography. Free. All ages. Stour Space, 7 Roach Road, Hackney Wick, E3 2PA. **Info: 020 8985 7827; www.stourspace.co.uk/event/stour-collective-2015/**



SHIRAZ BAYJOO: LLE DE FRANCE

**14 Jan-7 Feb, Tues-Sat,
various opening times**

Artist Shiraz Bayjoo gets set to exhibit artworks which incorporate painting and archival material along with a draft of his new film 'Ile de France' shot on location in Mauritius. During his time at Iniva, Shiraz will be working on completing his film, along with having an open studio where members of the public are

welcome to visit him. Free. All ages. Iniva, Education Space, Rivington Place, EC2A 3BA. **Info: 020 7729 9616; info@iniva.org; www.iniva.org/exhibitions_projects**



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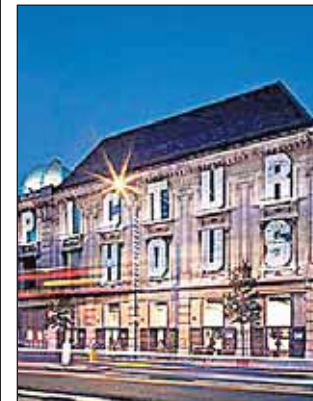
Joy (12A); A Walk In The Woods (15); The Revenant (15); Pan 3D (PG); Mean Streets (18); Doctor Zhivago (PG). Rio Cinema, 107 Kingsland High Street, Dalston, E8 2PB. **Info: 020 7241 9410; www.riocinema.ndirect.co.uk**

RICH MIX

The Hateful 8 (18); Star Wars: The Force Awakens 2D (12A); The Danish Girl (15); Joy (12A); The Revenant (15); Paper Planes (U); Maya The Bee (U). Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Rd, E1 6LA. **Info: 020 7613 7498; www.richmix.org.uk**

HACKNEY PICTUREHOUSE

Star Wars: The Force Awakens 2D/3D (12A); The Danish Girl (15); Carol (15); Sherpa (15); Room (15); The Revenant (15). Hackney Picturehouse, 270 Mare St, E8 1HE. **Info: 0871 902 5734; www.picturehouses.co.uk/cinema/hackney_picturehouse**



COURSES

COOKING ON A BUDGET

**Until 2 Feb, every Tues,
11am-1.30pm**

Eat better for less and learn to cook delicious international recipes for £1 per portion, with a chance to buy all the ingredients for four meals at the end of each class. Dishes include Swedish meatballs, fajitas, fish curry, special fried rice and more. St Paul's Church Hall, Stoke Newington Road, N16 7UY. **Info: 07923 248 586; www.bagsoftaste.org**

ALL THE YOUNG NUDES

Every Mon, 7.45-10pm

Each week, a life drawing club with no tuition. Organisers will supply a music play list to draw to and life models. Bring your own materials or buy on the day. £8/7 conc. Ages 18+. The Proud Archivist, 2-10 Hertford Road, N1 5ET. **Info: fox@atyn.co.uk; www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/life-drawing-club-all-the-young-nudes-london-the-proud-archivist-tickets-20060417248**

ALL I BAKE IS LOVE

**13, 20 & 27 Jan, 10am-1pm
or 6-9pm**

This workshop introduces

the art of cake baking, aiming to build confidence in the kitchen, provide tips on hygiene, and cover a variety of cakes including sponge, coconut, carrot and coconut. Ingredients provided. £70. Unit 24-25, The Forum, Independent Place, Shacklewell Lane, E8 2HE. **Info: 020 7249 4542; www.htea1.com/#!/basic-workshops/cdna**



ESPADRILLE-STYLE SLIPPERS

20 Jan, 6.30-9.30pm

Make your own pair of wool felt slippers in a fabric of your choice. Students will walk away with a completed pair of slippers and the skills to make more at home. Suitable for beginners and intermediates. Booking essential. £35. Ages 16+. Fabrications, 7 Broadway Market, E8 4PH. **Info: 020 7275 8043; barley@fabrications1.co.uk; www.fabrications1.co.uk**

CREATIVE FUTURES

26 Jan, 10.30am-1.30pm

Learn how to bake and decorate cakes, sewing for fashion and the home, jewellery making and more in creative workshops to gain new skills and build confidence. Suitable for beginners. Contact for prices. Ages 18+. Forest Road, E8 3BY. **Info: 07956 515 419; oleander@creativelifestyle.org.uk; www.creativelifestyle.org.uk**



Competition

Win tickets to the London ExCeL Wedding Show



A FASHION show, cake ideas, bouquet, and décor exhibits ... you've guessed it, London's biggest wedding show returns, with over 80 leading experts and suppliers helping you find everything you need to make your dream day a reality.

The London ExCeL show is set to take place on 30 and 31 January, and Hackney Today is giving away a pair of tickets to the annual event.

Discover the hottest trends and inspiration at the catwalk show, where the latest collections of bridalwear, groomsware, bridesmaid's dresses and mother of the bride attire will be showcased. Or channel your inner bridezilla and try on gowns from boutiques and designers, sample mouth-watering cakes, and find fabulous flowers to match. Venue hire, photographers, beauty,

honeymoons and accessories are also available.

The exhibitor line-up includes Coo Jewellers, Ivory & Co, John Lewis, King of the Booth, Moss Bros, Sandals and more. There will also be a chance to pick up a free goody bag, packed with products and a show guide to contact favourite exhibitors after the show. **For more info, visit: www.theukweddingshows.co.uk**

For a chance of winning tickets to the wedding show on 30 or 31 January at ExCeL London, send a postcard to: Wedding Show competition, Hackney Today, 1st Floor, Maurice Bishop House, 17 Reading Lane, E8 1NN; or e-mail: htnews@hackney.gov.uk by 20 January. Entries must include a name, address and phone number. Winners will be pulled out of a hat.



HEALTH, FITNESS & SPORT

CAPOEIRA CLASS

Every Wed, 7-8pm & 8-9pm

Capoeira is a fusion of dance, fight, music and culture.

Professional teacher Mestre Fantasma teaches this unique art form to complete beginners. One hour for £5, two hours for £10. Ages 16+. The Hive, 260-264 Kingsland Road, Dalston, E8 4DG. **Info: 07779 031 273; simon@fantasma.co.uk; www.capoeira.co.uk**

WALKING AND JOGGING

Every Thurs, 10-11am

An indoor jogging and walking exercise class to help manage and restore good health. Blood type advice will also be given each week. Recommended clothing: jogging bottoms or a loose pair of trousers, trainers and t-shirt. £3. Ages 40+. Our Lady of Good Counsel RC Church, Bouverie Road, N16 0AJ. **Info: 07961 188 727; olivesbodycare@btinternet.com; www.olivesbodycare.co.uk**



SELF-DEFENCE & PERSONAL SAFETY COURSE

16 Jan-13 Feb, every Sat, 10am-12.30pm

A five-week course for women and girls helping to develop awareness of various situations in which their personal safety could be threatened. Students will learn about risk assessment, practical basic personal safety techniques, and their rights. Gain a certificate and goodie bag at the end of the course. Booking essential. Ages 13+. HubSixtySeven, 67 Rothbury Road, Hackney Wick, E9 5HA. **Info: 07050 614 116; info@sevnecatitraining.com**

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HEALTH GREEK EXTRAVAGANZA

17 Jan, 12.30-3pm

See why the Greek diet is one of longevity and taste. From classics to modern recipes, lead chef at E5 Bakehouse, Despina Flouri, will teach you how to cook and enjoy food, Greek style. Booking essential. Free (suggested donation of £5 but no-on turned away for lack of funds.) Made In Hackney, Food For All Basement, 3 Cazenove Road, N16 6PA. **Info: 020 8442 4266; www.madeinhackney.org/whats-on/event/health-greek-extravaganza**



FREE YOUR SPINE

23 Jan, 2-6pm

This two-hour masterclass consists of eight movement sequences, focusing on spinal flexibility and mobility, whilst stressing the importance of moving and aims to inspire people to take time out of their day to get moving in an accessible, fun and informative way. The last part of the class will go through eight sequences continuously to a hip-hop soundtrack. Booking essential. £20. Ages 18+. The Refinery, 14 Collent Street, The Basement, The Ceramic Works, E9 6SG. **Info: 020 7148 5990; info@therefinerye9.com**



SNEAK

Every Tues, 10pm-3am

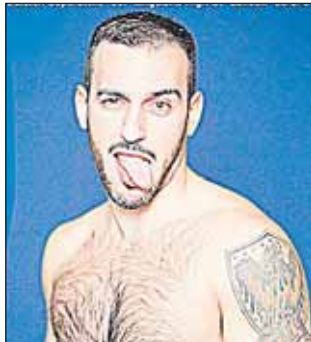
Voted one of the world's top clubs, resident XOYO DJs bring a mix of house and bass music across two floors to this midweek night. Drinks are priced at just £2.50. £4.50. Ages 18+. XOYO, 32-37

Cowper Street, Shoreditch, EC2A 4AP. **Info: www.xoyo.co.uk/events/SNEAK-94/index.html**

MEAT EAST

16 Jan, 10pm-4am

DJ duo The Meat Boys will be playing disco, house and pop in the bar, with DJs Dom Top and Ollywood. Downstairs in the basement Nic Fischer and Staffan Lindberg will be spinning deep house, dance and techno. Free before 10pm/£5. Ages 18+. Dalston Superstore, 117 Kingsland High Street, E8 2PB. **Info: 020 7254 2273; www.dalstonsuperstore.com/events/meat-east/**



WILL SAUL

16 Jan, 10pm-4am

This week's house night is headlined by DJ Will Saul displaying his distinct deep house and disco sound with flashes of soul. Juxx DJs and Hugo Masein support. £5/7. Ages 18+. The Nest, 36 Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 7XJ. **Info: info@ilovethenest.com; www.ilovethenest.com**

ZEUS SOUND

21 Jan, 7pm-midnight

Club night and label Zeus return for another spectacular event gathering heavyweights and fresh talent together from the underground music scene at Birthdays, Dalston. Line-up includes Asher D and Mike Delinguent. Free. Ages 18+. Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 8BJ. **Info: 020 7923 1680; www.birthdaysdalston.com/event/zeussound**

FAMILY AFFAIR VS CLASSIC JOINTS

22 Jan, 10pm-3.30am

The best R&B, hip hop and party flavours from a heavyweight DJ line up featuring Firin' Squad of Capital Xtra, DJ Swerve of Kiss FM plus many more for a night



PREVIEW

Knock2bag: Moth Club launch

13 January, MOTH Club, Old Trades Hall, Valette St, E9 6NU

KNOWN for hosting the biggest names and hottest new acts in stand-up comedy, Knock2Bag gets set to bring a monthly night to the recently reopened Moth Club in Hackney Central.

TV favourite Romesh Ranganathan (pictured), who was a regular on 'The Apprentice: You're Fired!', headlines the launch. Alongside Ranganathan is the critically acclaimed Paul Currie and double Edinburgh Award-winner Jon Kearns (inset). Winner of the 2014 Malcolm Hardee Award for comic originality Candy Gigi also makes

an appearance, so prepare for aggressive clowning and likeable madness, shocking audiences into laughter.

Completing the line-up is Nick Helm and multi-award winner Aisling Bea as MC. As predicted, the first show has completely sold out, but there's still a chance of grabbing a ticket by joining the waiting list. So if you're looking for variety, consistency and stunning line-ups, the new Knock2bag residency is sure to leave you belly-aching with laughter. For more info, visit: www.knock2bag.co.uk



aimed at the dance floor. Free-£10. Ages 18+. Trapeze Basement, 89 Great Eastern Street, EC2A 3HX. **Info: 020 7739 6747; www.trapezebar.com**

90S KARAOKE

29 Jan, 7.30pm-3am

Three rooms of 90s throwback karaoke with a photo booth, games room, vintage pop-up store and partying till late. Expect free candyfloss and fried chicken and giveaways. £7-12. Ages 18+. The Macbeth of Hoxton, 70 Hoxton Street. N16 7TH. **Info: 020 7749 0600; www.shoobs.com/events/10271/hs91-90s-karaoke**



JANE WENHAM: THE WITCH OF WALKERN

Until 30 Jan, 3pm/7.30pm

It's 1712. Jane Wenham is blamed for a tragic death in an East Hertfordshire village and charged with witchcraft. A terrifying ordeal begins, as the village is torn between those who want to save her life, and those who claim to want to save her soul. £12-19. Ages 14+. Arcola Theatre,

24 Ashwin Street, Dalston, E8 3DL. **Info: 020 7503 1646; www.arcolatheatre.com**

DOTTIR

Until 31 Jan, from 7.30pm

For 400 years the men have had their say. Now it's her turn. A new play about the rejection and savage strength of the female voice told through some iconic Shakespeare characters. Expect appearances from Hamlet, Othello, The Merchant of Venice, and King Lear. £12/10 conc. Courtyard Theatre, Bowling Green Walk, 40 Pitfield Street, N1 6EU. **Info: 020 7729 2202; www.thecourtyard.org.uk/whatson/647/dottir**

THEATRE REGGAE OKE

13 Jan, 7pm-12midnight

Channel your inner Bob Marley and Desmond Dekker and sing-a-long to favourite reggae tracks with the backing of a live band. Crowd participation is highly encouraged for non-stop vibes and laughter. £10.

Events info can also be viewed
on the Council's website:
www.hackney.gov.uk/whatson

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PREVIEW

Lovebox Presents – East Meets: Concrete Paris

30 January, Oval Space, 29-32 The Oval, E2 9DT

LOVEBOX is kick-starting 2016 with a continuation of their 'East Meets' series, this time in the cavernous Oval Space, E2, which is set to host famous Parisian nightclub Concrete.

Renowned for their all-day parties, Concrete has seen some of the world's best DJs spin tunes in their unique dockside space.

With a line-up which captures their distinct Paris sound, Oval Space is set to do this famous club night justice with its gritty,

urban interior; light displays and Hackney skyline views.

The evening features live performances from producers and DJs Steve Rachmand (pictured), Francois X, Behzad & Amarou and Blackhall & Bookless.

The ongoing series aims to bring some of the world's best nightclubs to East London's top venues. Tickets from £5.

For more info, or tickets, visit: www.ovalspace.co.uk/events/view/lovebox-presents-east-meets-concrete-paris/

Ages 18+. Queen of Hoxton, 1-5 Curtain Road, EC2A 3JX. Info: 020 7422 0958; www.queenofhoxton.com



KOJO'S BDAY COMEDY JAM

16 Jan, from 8.30pm
Known as 'The fresh prince of Hackney', Kojo celebrates his birthday with a big comedy jam with special guests. £17.50-22.50. Hackney Empire, 291 Mare Street, E8 1EJ. Info: 020 8985 2424; www.hackneyempire.co.uk



BEAR JOKES

19 Jan, from 8pm
A showcase night of 10 new and up-and-coming comedians, plus live music from Jesus Correderas. Food and drink will be on sale on the night. Free. Pub on The Park, 19 Martello Street, E8 3PE. Info: 020 7923 3398; www.pubonthepark.com/events

THEATRE TONGUE FU

21 Jan, from 8pm
Spoken word fiend and event

founder, Chris Redmond, invites stars of spoken word to join him in spontaneous performances with genre-bending improvised music from the Tongue Fu Band. £8/6 conc. Rich Mix, 35-47, E1 6LA. Info: 020 7613 7498; www.richmix.org.uk/whats-on/event/tongue-fu210116/

HOUSE OF AMAU'S WINTER SHOWCASE

24 Jan, from 6pm
In celebration of Afrikan Heritage Talent, House of Amau present an evening of Hackney-based poets, spoken word and performance artists including Calypsonian, Tobago Crusoe and singer Official Lezv. There will also be drumming, dancing and open mic sessions. £7. Hackney Attic, 270 Mare Street, E8 1HE. Info: 0871 902 5734; www.picturehouses.com/cinema/

Hackney_Picturehouse/film/house-of-amaus-winter-showcase/tickets/10873



VISUALS FOR MUSIC

Every Mon, 6-8pm
A programme of music and audio-visual workshops led by digital media artists and multi-instrumentalists. Over five weeks, using vocal, drumming, and electronic music, young people will explore sounds from around the world and create the soundtrack to a new digital artwork. Additional sessions will consist of film-making and editing skills to make the film. All levels. Free. Young Hackney, 29 Forest Road, E8 3BY. Info: 020 8356 7404; www.younghackney.org/event/visualsformusic/2016-01-11/

SEA CADETS

Every Tues & Fri, 7-9.30pm
Take part in various watersports from power boating and sailing, to abseiling and canoeing, plus learn nautical skills as you complete your training. These activities not only promise to be fun, but the skills learnt give young people a boost to their confidence. Free. Ages 10-19 (up to 24 with support needs). Leaside Trust, Spring Lane, E5 9HQ. Info: www.younghackney.org/event/sea-cadets/2016-01-12/



STUDIO NIGHTS

13 Jan-24 Mar, 5.30-9pm
An opportunity to register for a year of free studio time, plus 10 weeks of music technology workshops to boost composition knowledge and skills. Singers, rappers, instrumental groups are all welcome. Suitable for those in college, in need of

help with their own studio or enjoy creating their own compositions. Limited places. Ages 14-21. MDMD Arts and Sports, 9 Olympus Square, E5 8PL. Info: 020 3643 4950; mdmdartsandsports@yahoo.co.uk

FREQUENCIES

31 Jan, from 2pm
A day-long event offering young people the chance to collaborate with professional musicians, make industry contacts and get their music heard. The day will feature workshop sessions, industry Q&A panels and a performance showcase. Booking essential. Free. Ages 21 and under. Rich Mix, 35-47 Bethnal Green Road, E1 6LA. Info: 020 7613 7498; www.richmix.org.uk/whats-on/event/frequencies/



VOCALLECTIVE - WOMEN'S CHOIR

Every Wed, 8-9.30pm
Become a founder member of a new women-only choir forming in Stoke Newington. Promising to be unique, personable and fun, Vocallective Women will meet weekly to sing pop music and other genres. No auditions.

First session is free. £8/£6 per session. Ages 18+. The Prince pub, 59 Kynaston Road, N16 0EB. Info: 07977 191 469; www.vocallective.london/vocallectivewomen/



MEN VS CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

19 Jan, 4-6pm
Meet and talk with other men affected by cancer at an informal group session. With a chance to pick up tips on healthy eating, exercise, dealing with fatigue and more. Free. Ages 18+. St Joseph's Hospice, Mare Street, E8 4SA. Info: 020 8525 3223; b.john@stjh.org.uk

THE PREMIERSHIP YEARS QUIZ

24 Jan, 7-11pm
Remember John Jensen scoring? Or Ketsbaia's 'crazy' celebration in 1998? Re-live the best highlights of premiership football so far, with a quiz and £200 cash prize. £20 for a team of five. Moth Club, Old Trades Hall, E8 1EL. Info: 020 8985 7963; www.mothclub.co.uk/events/2016/1/24/the-premiership-years-quiz

what's on

Important information for submissions

To submit your listing to What's On for publication in Hackney Today and on the Council website, fill in the e-form at: www.hackney.gov.uk/whatson

Please see the guidance notes on the website for further information.

We reserve the right to edit any material. No submission is guaranteed a listing.

Competitions



Hackney Today offered readers a chance to win a Box for Hackney Empire's panto in issue 369.

The lucky winner was R Banton-Morgan, N1

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Pupils from Queensbridge Primary School with actor Colin McFarlane (centre) celebrate the start of the Making History project

Hackney makes history

EXCITED pupils at two Hackney primary schools are piloting a history programme with TV and film stars and the British Film Institute (BFI).

Some 40 students from Queensbridge and Grasmere primary schools are participating in the Making History project, which is designed to spark children's interest in history and digital technology by playing detective to uncover their own family story.

The brainchild of Clapton-born 'Batman Begins' star Colin McFarlane, the scheme is being piloted in Hackney

and Lincoln, with a view to rolling it out nationwide. Students experienced the first step in this process when they were visited by Colin and 'Citizen Khan' actress Shobu Kapoor.

Shobu said: "I was bowled over by how much the children engaged with the Making History project. Stories gave rise to more stories and before we knew it, children were on their

computers, raiding the Encyclopedia Britannica website for information."

After uncovering something of their family's history from the First World War, the students will go on to create a short film about their experience.

They will be supported by Dr Nick Barratt and Neil Fraser (from the BBC's 'Who Do You Think You Are?' and 'Heir Hunters'

programmes respectively), and students from the University of East London.

The films will be screened in Hackney and then nationally at the BFI, on the South Bank, on 4 February.

Sophie Wood, a teacher at Queensbridge Primary, said: "The project has inspired many children to have conversations that they've never had before with family members about their background and heritage."

Lucie, a Year 6 Grasmere student, added: "My eyes have been opened to a different world and I feel privileged to be part of such a wonderful family history."

“Children were on their computers, raiding the Encyclopedia Britannica website for information”



News in brief

15 marathons in 15 months

A SCHOOL receptionist has won a national award as she nears her goal of running 15 marathons in 15 months. Kerry Whitney, who works at Ickburgh School, E9, has so far completed 12 marathons, including the London, Berlin and Barcelona races, and raised over £4,000 for the deafblind charity Sense in the process.

On 7 December, Kerry received a Sense Award for Fundraising, in recognition of her extraordinary efforts to raise money for the charity.

Chief Executive, Gill Morbey, said: "The Sense Awards recognise the wonderful achievements of people with

sensory impairments and those that support them.

Kerry has shown great determination throughout her challenge. She is an inspiration and very deserving of the award."

Kerry, who has two marathons left to run before completing her challenge, said: "It's heart-warming that people have taken the time to nominate me and have said great things about me."



Haggerston School scoops award for its able learners

A HACKNEY school has been given an award in recognition of its work encouraging pupils to achieve their best. Haggerston School became the first in the borough to receive a NACE Challenge Award for supporting 'able, gifted and talented pupils' in November.

Given out by the National Association for Able Children in Education (NACE), the accolade recognises schools with outstanding provision for high attaining pupils, while also enabling all students to flourish.

NACE assessors spent a day at Haggerston, observing lessons, interviewing pupils, teachers, parents and governors and looking at students' work.

Their report notes the strong leadership and management at the school, which keeps the needs of high achievers at the forefront of its work.



The Junior Citizenship Scheme session at Hackney Museum

Transport scheme makes primary pupils better citizens

A BUS and tube train have been squeezed inside Hackney Museum as part of an annual scheme that teaches children how to become more independent.

Pupils from London Fields and Morningside primary schools, took part in a Junior Citizenship Scheme session at the end of last year.

The 10 and 11-year-olds learnt about using public transport responsibly, applying their road safety knowledge, basic first aid, and using Oyster cards.

Cllr Sade Etti, Speaker of Hackney, said: "I am impressed with the level of training given to children on safety, which benefits the whole community."

Laura, 10, a pupil at London Fields Primary School, said: "This will help me to make right decisions in the future."

Samuel Bass, a teacher at the school, added: "The scheme is so useful. Year 6s have got a big transition coming up as they prepare for secondary school, especially in terms of

independence and travel, and these are vital skills."

The scheme is co-ordinated by Transport for London and hosted by Hackney Museum. It is open to all primary schools in the borough. To book a space in January, or for more info, e-mail: tflsafetyandcitizenship@lhmuseum.co.uk

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Photo: Clive Barba

HMDT Music's Saturday programme aims to enrich the lives of young people; a performance of 'Confucius Says' at Hackney Empire

Sweet sound of music

By Dila Tumer

AN AWARD-winning charity that works throughout Hackney is celebrating its 20th year of providing outstanding music-based education projects.

HMDT Music, which began life as a small organisation working solely in the borough, has come a long way in the past two decades, raising over £8.5million for music projects involving over 65,000 participants.

It is also a two-time

“HMDT Music has allowed me to grow, not just as a musician, actor and singer, but also as a person”

winner of the Royal Philharmonic Society Award for Education, in 2004 and 2008.

Over 400 students currently take part in The Saturday Programme, which underpins all the charity's other projects. Based at Haggerston School, E2, it provides opportunities for students to develop their

music skills, in a fun and community-driven atmosphere, and to perform in front of an audience. Other courses cover singing, musical theatre and jazz.

Taking part has helped many young people improve skills, raise aspirations and transform other areas of their lives.

Samson, 13, said: “The

five years I've been with HMDT have been the best of my life. It has allowed me to grow, not just as a musician, actor and singer, but also as a person. I've learnt a range of things from teamwork to determination.”

To mark its 20th year, HMDT Music has increased the number of spaces on all courses in the Saturday Programme.

MORE INFO

For more info on courses, visit: www.hmdt.org.uk; or call: 020 8882 8825

News in brief

Inspiring women wanted to empower young females

ARE you a woman who lives or works in Hackney with an inspiring career or successfully operating in a typically male-dominated job or sector?

The Council is on the hunt for women who can inspire and empower the next generation to broaden their horizons and aspirations, smash glass ceilings, and think outside the career box.

The Council is holding its inaugural 'Inspiring Young Hackney Women' event on 8 March to coincide with International Women's Day.

The day will see local ladies share their stories in a bid to motivate and galvanise young women from a range of Hackney schools, who will then take those narratives back to their peers.

Cllr Sophie Linden, Deputy Mayor of Hackney, said: “Sadly, for a number of socially-ingrained reasons, young women continue to lag behind their male peers when it comes to career aspirations.

“It is so important that from a young age, women are empowered with the knowledge, confidence and tools to aim high. Inspiring Young Hackney Women will bring together local women from a range of professions and backgrounds to talk to the younger generation about the many possibilities that await them in the working world.

“We would really like women to get in touch and take part in inspiring others by sharing their stories.”

If you're interested in taking part, e-mail: jane.ball@hackney.gov.uk; or call: 020 8356 8338.

The event will comprise a Q&A with panellists followed by a 'speed-dating'-style event, which will allow the younger women to talk to speakers and participants in smaller groups, followed by an opportunity to network.



Grants available to talented young people help with their development in sport



APPLICATIONS are open for talented young people from Hackney to apply for a share of a £1million funding pot, to help fledgling sports stars realise their dreams.

Talented athletes have until 20 February to apply for financial awards of up to £1,250.

The money is from the

GLL Sport Foundation (GSF), the largest independent athlete support programme in the UK, operated by social enterprise GLL, which manages Hackney Council's leisure facilities.

Last year, GSF helped 43 Hackney athletes across 12 sports, and with the Rio 2016

Olympic and Paralympic Games just around the corner, the programme is supporting athletes that will look to compete in future Games.

GSF Chairman, Peter Bunday, said: “It is crucial that we support the talent and enthusiasm of our young sporting stars.”

To be eligible for a

grant, young sportsmen and women must live or be in education in an area where GLL or its partners operate, or be affiliated to a sports club that has a training base at a GLL or partner-operated sport and leisure venue.

For more info, or to apply, visit: www.gllsportfoundation.org

Using your local health services over the winter



Don't just go to hospital – if you feel unwell there are many ways to get advice or treatment.

Self-care

Hangover, sore throat, coughs, colds

- The best place for you is at home in the warm - rest and drink plenty of non-alcoholic fluids
- Plan ahead - stock up on plasters, paracetamol, aspirin and indigestion remedies

Your local pharmacy

Diarrhoea, painful cough, headache, other minor ailments, emergency contraceptives

- Your local pharmacist can give you expert, confidential advice and treatment for a range of minor illnesses or injuries – some of them are open every day of the holiday and you do not need an appointment
- Plan ahead - ask your local pharmacy about their opening times, find out online at www.cityandhackneyccg.nhs.uk

Your GP

Ear pain, back ache, vomiting, depression, long-term conditions (e.g. diabetes, asthma)

- Make sure you are registered with a City & Hackney GP. Visit www.nhs.uk to find your local surgery
- Your GP is the first place to go to for illnesses that won't go away
- For urgent appointments call as early as you can, for non-urgent appointments book a week ahead
- You can ask for a same-day telephone consultation with a doctor
- Plan ahead - make sure you have enough prescribed medicines to last you over holiday time

Out of hours GPs

If your GP surgery is closed but you need to speak to a doctor urgently, you can call Hackney's out of hours GP service, CHUHSE, on **020 8185 0545**. They will be able to offer you advice or, if required, arrange an urgent appointment. Open 6.30pm – 8am on weekdays and all day on weekends and public holidays.

NHS 111

You feel you need medical help or advice fast but are unsure what to do and don't think it's a 999 emergency

- Call if you don't have a GP, can't access a GP or don't know who else to call
- The service is available 24 hours a day by calling 111
- The service can also help you if you need a repeat prescription filled urgently when your local pharmacy is closed
- You will speak to a trained adviser, supported by nurses and paramedics, who will talk you through your symptoms and advise on what to do next

Homerton Hospital

Accident and Emergency - choking, severe chest pain, bleeding that won't stop, loss of consciousness, struggling to breathe, stroke

- Provides urgent treatment for serious, life-threatening conditions all day, every day
- Get there yourself if you can, but call **999** for an ambulance if someone is too ill to move, can't breathe or you don't have quick access to transport

Emergency dental treatment

You have an urgent dental problem and your usual dental practice is closed

- Call the Emergency Dental Service on **020 3594 0938** to speak to a dentist to get free advice or arrange emergency treatment

For more information on local NHS services, visit www.cityandhackneyccg.nhs.uk

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These stories were compiled with the help of Homerton University Hospital, City & Hackney Clinical Commissioning Group & East London NHS Foundation Trust

MANY people mark the new year by making a resolution to quit smoking, once and for all.

It is therefore a prime time for health organisations to launch stop smoking drives. This year, Public Health England's Smokefree campaign focuses on Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), a collection of lung diseases including chronic bronchitis and emphysema.

Alongside the impact on quality of life, approximately 25,000 people die each year from COPD in England, which is twice the European average. Around 86 per cent of these deaths are caused by smoking.

Dr Matthew Hodson, Respiratory Nurse Consultant at Homerton Hospital, said: "My advice is not to ignore signs such as a smoker's cough or breathlessness. Quit now before any damage to your lungs gets worse, as it's never too late to stop."

Resident Ali Akpinar did just that. He quit last September after 20 years of smoking. He said: "I didn't feel good, I couldn't walk for more than 10 minutes without getting out of breath and my friends and family all used to tell me that I looked unwell."

"It's been four months now and I'm already breathing more easily. I



Photo: Fred Agbah

Quit smoking

Hackney resident Ali Akpinar stopped smoking with the help of the Hackney Stop Smoking Service

know after six months I will feel even better."

After trying several times over the years to stop smoking, this time Ali succeeded with one-to-one support from a stop smoking adviser at

Hackney's Stop Smoking Service. He adds: "I know if I'm feeling stressed and I want a cigarette the service will still be there for me, but I'm determined that I will not give in and they will not be seeing me again."

MORE INFO

For more info on quitting smoking, visit: www.smokefreehackney.org; or call: 0800 0469946/020 3316 1085

News in brief

Run into the new year with Hackney's half marathon

STEP – or run – into the new year by signing up to this year's Vitality Run Hackney half marathon. The 13.1 mile race is set to take place on 8 May, and is expected to attract up to 15,000 runners and raise money for official event charities: Cancer Research UK, St Joseph's Hospice, Reach Out and Laureus. The route begins and ends in Hackney Marshes and takes in borough landmarks, via Hackney Downs, Hackney Central, Broadway Market, Well Street Common, Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park and Mabley Green. Competitors of all ages and abilities can participate in the fast, closed-road course: from elite athletes to first-time runners. For more info, or to sign up, visit: <http://runhackney.com>



Have your say on care services

RESIDENTS can have their say on the borough's health and social care services at an event run by City and Hackney Clinical Commissioning Group and the Council. The joint 'Commissioning Intentions' event on 2 February will give people the opportunity to talk about how services are performing and how they could be improved. Representatives from the voluntary and community sector, health and social care providers, as well as commissioners from the local NHS and Council, will all be on hand to answer questions. Services under discussion include adult social care, mental health, emergency care, maternity and children's care and GP services. The free event is set to take place at The Tomlinson Centre, Queensbridge Road, from 6-8.30pm. Book a place at: <https://intentions.eventbrite.co.uk>; or call: 020 7683 4222.

Hackney health and social care devolution pilot approved by Government



HACKNEY'S bid to take charge of its own health and social care provision has been approved by the Government.

It means the borough will become one of five pilot areas in London to take control of its health budget. The announcement last month, set out a shared vision – between the Council

and the borough's key health and social care providers – of delivering a joint, effective and financially sustainable system that covers the whole range of wellbeing services.

It is thought that a fully integrated model could give residents better access to services in the community, rather than in hospital.

Other examples of how

this new model could benefit residents include: public health initiatives for schoolchildren; timely access to GPs and community pharmacists; top quality hospital treatment; excellent mental health services; and supporting people to remain independent in their community where possible.

Cllr Jonathan McShane,

Chair of Hackney's Health and Wellbeing Board, said: "It's great news that our bid has been approved. We believe the additional powers and resources this could unlock, offer the best chance to further develop integrated health and social care services, to make the most of every pound we get."

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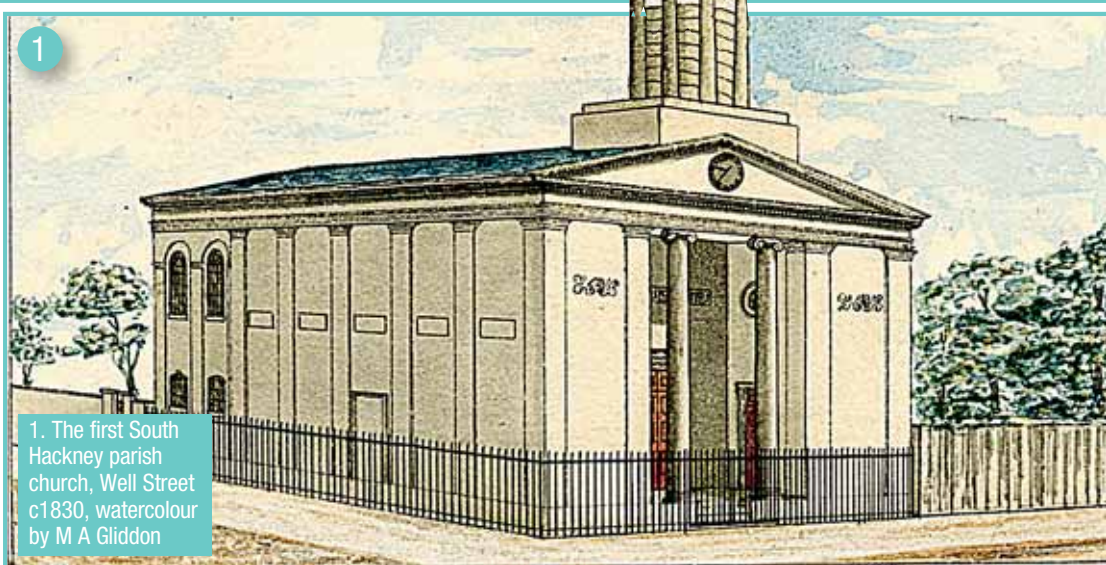
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 Full details and registration online at: www.cycleexperience.com/hackneycycleloan
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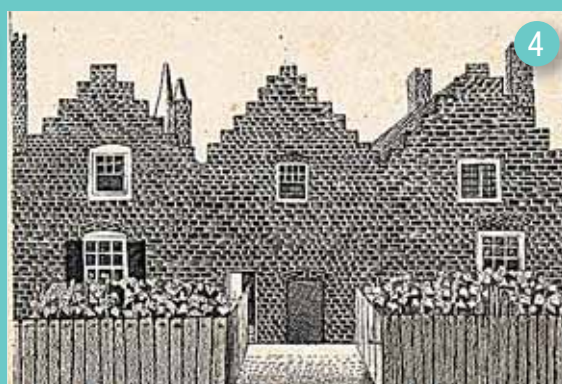
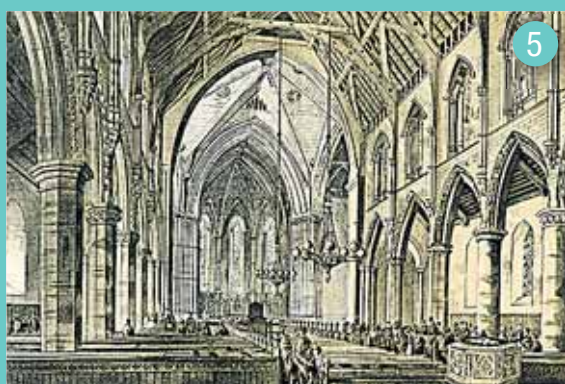
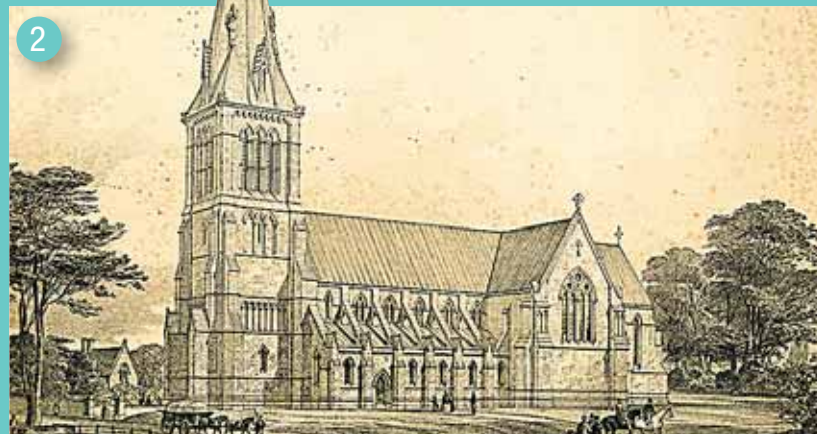
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1. The first South Hackney parish church, Well Street c1830, watercolour by M A Gliddon



2. View of church looking north west with the church school beyond c1848, lithograph by T Bury; 3. Norris family in the breakfast room of Grove Street house, painting by Gawen Hamilton; 4. Engraving showing Pilgrim's House, 1801; 5. Interior of church looking towards altar c1855, lithograph by C J Greenwood; 6. Pencil sketch of the south elevation of Norris house in Grove Street, c1840

Green and pleasant land

By Sally England

WHAT is now the well-populated parish of South Hackney originally developed from two small medieval settlements that had grown around road junctions.

One lay where today's Grove Street and Well Street meet, the other around Grove and Lauriston roads. The area remained very rural until the second half of the 18th century, when old estates began to be broken up and the land leased to speculative developers, who quickly erected new homes.

By the early 19th century it was decided to build a chapel-of-ease on the north side of Well Street to serve the growing population.

Local businessman John De Kewer gave land on the

north side of Well Street, and plans for the chapel drawn up in 1806 show a classically-inspired building that could seat over 700 people. Fundraising for building costs went well, and at first it seemed that the chapel would soon be ready, but it was not opened until 1810, and ended up a much plainer construction.

The costs for completion were paid for by the Rev Henry Handley Norris, curate of Hackney and holder of the local Norris estate, who also gave an annual fee of £20 to the chapel trustees to help pay for the chapel's clergy.

The dedication of the chapel to St John of Jerusalem was taken from a nearby manor house that had once belonged to the Knights of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem. Known as Pilgrim's House,

it survived until the late 1700s, but by then was in a bad state of repair and subdivided between poor tenants. Some of these included chimney sweeps, known as black boys because they were so often covered in soot, and the name of the Two Black Boys pub in Well Street preserved the memory of the old medieval manor until the end of the last century.

Henry Norris was involved in the foundation, in 1811, of the National Society, which believed it was the church's responsibility to educate the poor, as opposed to the

British and Foreign Schools Society which ran on a non-denominational basis. Norris established a school in South Hackney, which taught reading, writing, counting and 'instructed in the principles of religion'.

In 1825, the decision was made to split the parish of St John-at-Hackney into three, creating the new parishes of South Hackney and

West Hackney. The Well Street chapel, which had been enlarged in 1818, was designated as the new parish church of South Hackney with Norris as Rector.

The old chapel building continued to serve the parish well for many years,

but Norris realised the area would become built up, and that more homes meant more parishioners, so a new church would be necessary.

Fundraising began in 1842 and the young architect of St James' in Clapton, Edward Charles Hakewill, was appointed to design the new church on an island of ground in what is today Lauriston Road. Hakewill modelled different elements on medieval examples, including flying buttresses and a tall spire, which was damaged in the Second World War and replaced with the current copper-clad spire.

Work began on the church at the end of 1844 and four years later the old chapel was demolished and the new St John of Jerusalem, built at a total cost of £16,000, opened its doors. Norris spoke at the

consecration service of July 1848 in a 'good clear voice', but he was now 78 and died just two years later.

Buried beneath a plain slab in the north east corner, Norris's real memorial is the great church that stands around him, acknowledged as being 'of more than special architectural interest as a fully-fledged Gothic Revival church in the early English style' and Grade II* listed.

MORE INFO

 Hackney Archives looks after Council administrative records and archives dating back to 1700. It also keeps records for individuals and organisations with links to Hackney. Call: 020 8356 8925; e-mail: archives@hackney.gov.uk; or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/archives



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A healthy eating programme from Shoreditch Trust

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HERE'S the latest recipe from Shoreditch Trust's Food For Life Programme, which works with the community to promote affordable healthy eating, cooking skills and greater food knowledge.


Pumpkins and squashes are in season throughout the autumn and winter. They come in many colours, shapes and sizes. Orange vegetables contain beta-carotene, vitamin A (a powerful natural anti-oxidant) and vitamins C and E which help to boost the immune system.

It is important to try to eat five handfuls of vegetables and fruit a day. Different colours in fruit and vegetables have different nutrients which keep the body healthy.

Spiced squash & coconut soup

Makes 4-6 portions

Preparation time 
15 mins

Cooking time 
20 mins

Ingredients

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 carrot, chopped
- 1 stalk of celery, chopped
- 1 onion, diced
- 1 chopped butternut squash or pumpkin (diced)
- 1 cup of red lentils
- 1 tbsp grated ginger
- 1 tbsp ground cumin
- 1 tbsp garam masala
- 1 tin coconut milk or half a block of creamed coconut
- 1 litre water with stock cube
- 1 lime to serve
- Natural yoghurt to serve
- Small bunch of coriander to serve.

Method

- Wash the celery, carrot and butternut squash (or pumpkin) first, before chopping
- In a saucepan, gently heat olive oil and lightly fry the carrots, celery and onion until soft
- Stir in the diced butternut squash, grated ginger, cumin, garam masala and lentils and cover with stock. Bring to the boil and simmer for 15 minutes
- Add the tin of coconut milk, season with pepper and blend using a hand blender. Add more hot water or stock to achieve desired consistency
- Stir in the coriander and serve with a slice of lime and natural yoghurt
- Optional extra: wash the seeds from the squash/pumpkin, drizzle with a little oil and bake in the oven for about 10 minutes. Serve scattered on top of the soup.



More info

To find out more about Shoreditch Trust's Food For Life programme, call: 020 7033 8529; e-mail: food@shoreditchtrust.org.uk; or visit: www.shoreditchtrust.org.uk/Food-for-Life



Have your say on the impact of van traffic on road congestion

THE London Assembly is consulting on the impact of van traffic on road congestion in the capital.

Light commercial traffic makes up 13 per cent of all London's traffic, compared with four per cent for HGVs and 1.7 per cent for buses. During the morning peak, this equates to around 7,300 vans per hour.

This means Transport for London and the retail and logistics industries will have to find new ways to improve the efficiency and sustainability

of commercial traffic in the capital.

The London Assembly Transport Committee is exploring how Londoners feel about the increased van traffic. They want to know: to what extent does light commercial traffic contribute to congestion in London?

What is the current and future impact of van traffic on road congestion?

How can drones, cycles and electric vehicles reduce the impact of traffic in London?

Will sustainable delivery

options, Click&Collect, out-of-hours deliveries, consolidation centres and vans as a substitute for HGVs reduce commercial traffic and how can these services be enhanced?

The Committee aims to produce a report outlining its findings by early 2016.

For more info, or to have your say, visit: www.london.gov.uk/about-us/london-assembly/london-assemblys-current-investigations/can-vandemic-be-curbed

The consultation closes on 31 January.

Meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS IN JANUARY

11	Children and young people scrutiny commission	7pm
11	Living in Hackney scrutiny commission	7pm
12	Community safety and social inclusion scrutiny commission	7pm
13	Health and wellbeing board	6pm
13	Planning sub committee	6.30pm
13	Pensions committee	6.30pm
14	Health in Hackney scrutiny commission	7pm

14	Licensing sub committee	7pm
18	Governance and resources scrutiny commission	7pm
19	Licensing sub committee	2pm
19	Cabinet procurement committee	5pm
20	Audit sub committee	6.30pm
21	Standards committee	6.30pm
21	Pre-application, planning sub committee	6.30pm
25	Cabinet	6pm
25	King's Park ward forum	7pm

Info: 020 8356 3316/3302/3312; or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/council-democracy.htm

TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS IN JANUARY

11	Shepherds Market TRA	7.30pm
11	Wrens Park Estate TRA	7pm
11	Regents Estate TRA	7pm
12	Haberdasher Estate TRA	7pm
12	Clapton Neighbourhood Panel	7pm
13	Smalley Road TRA	7pm
18	Queensbridge & De Beauvoir (Central) Neighbourhood Panel	7.30pm

19	Homerton (MESH) Neighbourhood Panel	7pm
19	Stamford Hill Neighbourhood Panel	12pm
20	Follingham Court TRA	7pm
21	Holmleigh Road Estate TRA (AGM)	7pm
21	St Mary's Estate TRA	6.30pm
21	Hobbs Place TRA	7pm
21	Manor TRA	7pm
21	Stoke Newington Neighbourhood Panel	7pm
25	Alden and Broadway TRA	7pm

TO CHECK TIMES & VENUES, CALL THE RESIDENT PARTICIPATION TEAM ON: 020 8356 7845

Sudoku

For solutions see:
www.hackney.gov.uk/hackneytoday

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The Mayor and councillors

Councillors are elected by Hackney residents and serve for four years. The last borough elections took place in May 2014.

Councillors have a range of responsibilities, including helping to oversee the Council and

its services. They hold advice surgeries where residents can meet their local representative and ask them to take up issues that may be of concern. Generally they can help with Council related matters, but if the issue is the

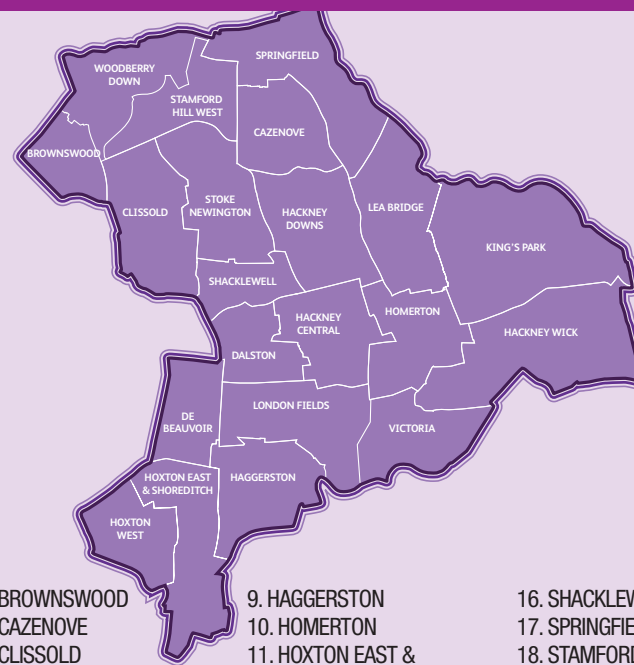
responsibility of another person or organisation, councillors can often point people in the right direction and tell residents who they need to see. Hackney has 57 councillors representing areas called wards – see map below.



MAYOR JULES PIPE

Hackney has an executive Mayor, Jules Pipe, who is not a councillor, but is directly elected by the entire borough. The Mayor is the political leader of the Council, overseeing the budget and all Council services. Civic and ceremonial duties are undertaken by the Speaker of Hackney who is elected annually from among the borough's 57 councillors. The current Speaker is Cllr Sade Etti.

Hackney's wards in alphabetical order



1. BROWNWOOD
2. CAZENOVE
3. CLISSOLD
4. DALSTON
5. DE BEAUVOIR
6. HACKNEY CENTRAL
7. HACKNEY DOWNS
8. HACKNEY WICK

9. HAGGERSTON
10. HOMERTON
11. HOXTON EAST & SHOREDITCH
12. HOXTON WEST
13. KING'S PARK
14. LEA BRIDGE
15. LONDON FIELDS

16. SHACKLEWELL
17. SPRINGFIELD
18. STAMFORD HILL WEST
19. STOKE NEWINGTON
20. VICTORIA
21. WOODBERRY DOWN

1. BROWNWOOD



Cllr Brian Bell
1st Thurs each month
7-8pm, The Kings Crescent Estate Community Centre, Queens Drive, N4 2XD.



Cllr Clare Potter
2nd Sat each month
10.30-11.30am, Azalea Court Community Hall, Alexandra Mews, N4 2LB.

6. HACKNEY CENTRAL



Cllrs Sophie Linden, Ben Hayhurst & Vincent Stops (on a rota basis)
1st Sat each month
11am-12noon, Room 37a, Hackney Town Hall, E8 1EA.



3rd Sat each month
11am-12noon, Wilton Estate Community Hall, Greenwood Road, E8 1BE.



Contact these cllrs on:
sophie.linden@hackney.gov.uk;
ben.hayhurst@hackney.gov.uk;
vincent.stops@hackney.gov.uk

2. CAZENOVE



Cllr Dawood Akhoun
1st & 3rd Thurs each month
6.30-7.30pm, North London Muslim Community Centre, 68 Cazenove Road, N16 6AA.



Cllr Abraham Jacobson
2nd Wed each month
6.30-7.15pm, North London Muslim Community Centre, 68 Cazenove Road, N16 6AA.



Cllr Ian Sharer
1st & 3rd Thurs each month
10.30-11.30am, North London Muslim Community Centre, 68 Cazenove Road, N16 6AA.

7. HACKNEY DOWNS



Cllrs Michael Desmond, Anna-Joy Rickard & Rick Muir



Cllr Desmond
1st Sun each month
11am-12noon, Luncheon Club, 19 Olympus Square, E5.
No surgery on 3 January



Cllrs Rickard & Muir
2nd Sun each month
11am-12noon, Landfield Community Hall, Landfield Estate, Clapton, E5 8QZ.
Call: 07875 546 155.



4th Sun each month
Roving surgery.

3. CLISSOLD



Cllrs Sophie Cameron, Ned Hercock & Sade Etti



1st Mon each month
(on a rota basis)
6.30-7.30pm, Stoke Newington Library, Stoke Newington Church Street, N16 0JS.



3rd weekend each month
Roving surgery. All cllrs.

Contact these cllrs on: clissold@hackney.gov.uk; or: 020 8356 3373.

8. HACKNEY WICK



Cllrs Chris Kennedy, Jess Webb & Nick Sharman (on a rota basis)
1st Sun each month
12noon-1pm, Wick OAP Hall, Lavington Close, Trowbridge Estate, E9.



Contact Cllr Kennedy on: 07730 883 190.



9. HAGGERSTON



Cllrs Barry Buitekant, Jonathan McShane & Ann Munn (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs each month
6-7pm, Haggerston Community Centre, 8 Lovelace Street, E8 4FF.



3rd Fri each month
10-11am, Fellows Court Community Centre, Weymouth Terrace, E2 8LR.



3rd Sat each month
10-11am, Regents Pensioners Hall, 33 Brougham Rd, E8 4PD.

4. DALSTON



Cllrs Soraya Adejare & Peter Snell (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs & 3rd Fri each month
6.30-7.30pm, Dalston CLR James Library, Dalston Square, London, E8 3BQ.



2nd Sat of each month
3-4pm, Dalston CLR James Library, Dalston Square, E8 3BQ.

10. HOMERTON



Cllrs Robert Alan Chapman, Guy Nicholson, Sally Mulready
1st Fri each month
Roving surgery with all Homerton cllrs. Contact for further details.
Cllr Chapman
Call: 07821 330 532.



3rd Fri each month
10-11am, Fellows Court Community Centre, Weymouth Terrace, E2 8LR.



3rd Sat each month
10-11am, Regents Pensioners Hall, 33 Brougham Rd, E8 4PD.

5. DE BEAUVOIR



Cllrs Laura Bunt & James Peters (on a rota basis)
2nd Sat each month
11am-12noon, café in the precinct behind the Rose Lipman Building, Trinity Court, De Beauvoir Estate (off Downham Road), N1.



Contact Cllr Peters on: james.peters@hackney.gov.uk; or: 07748 629 977.
Contact Cllr Bunt via members services on: 020 8356 3373.

11. HOXTON EAST & SHOREDITCH



Cllrs Kam Adams, Feryal Demirci & Tom Ebbutt (on a rota basis)
1st Sat each month
10.30-11.30am, Shoreditch Library, 80 Hoxton Street, N1 6LP.
3rd Sat each month,
11am-12noon, roving surgery.



1st Thurs each month
6.30-7.30pm, St John Ambulance Hall, Mildenhall Road, E5.



2nd Sat each month
1.30-2.30pm, Venetia's Coffee Shop, 55 Chatsworth Road, E5 0LH.
4th Sat each month
10-11am, The Community Flat, Jack Watts Estate, 10 Detmold Road, E5.
Call: 07890 654 068; or e-mail: ian.rathbone@tiscali.co.uk

12. HOXTON WEST



Cllr Philip Gianville
3rd Wed each month
6-7pm, Provost Community Hall, Murray Grove, N1 7QX.



Cllr Claydon McKenzie
2nd Tues each month
6-7pm, The Bell Club, Bowling Green Walk, 40 Pitfield Street, N1 6EU.



Cllr Carole Williams
3rd Wed each month
6-7pm, Provost Community Hall, Murray Grove, N1 7QX.



2nd Sun every other month
Roving surgery.

14. LEA BRIDGE



Cllrs Margaret Gordon, Ian Rathbone & Deniz Oguzkanli (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs each month
6.30-7.30pm, St John Ambulance Hall, Mildenhall Road, E5.
2nd Sat each month
1.30-2.30pm, Venetia's Coffee Shop, 55 Chatsworth Road, E5 0LH.
4th Sat each month
10-11am, The Community Flat, Jack Watts Estate, 10 Detmold Road, E5.
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19. STOKE NEWINGTON



Cllrs Louisa Thomson, Susan Fajana-Thomas & Mete Coban (on a rota basis)
2nd Sat each month
10-11am, Stoke Newington Library, Stoke Newington Church Street, N16 0JS.
4th Sat each month,
roving surgery, 11am-1pm.



15. LONDON FIELDS



Cllrs Anntoinette Bramble, M Can Ozsen & Emma Plouviez (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs each month
6-7pm, Queensbridge Leisure Centre, 30 Holly Street, E8 3XW.
3rd Sat each month
10-11am, Regents Pensioners Hall, 30 Brougham Rd, E8.



20. VICTORIA



Cllrs Will Brett, Katie Hanson & Geoff Taylor
1st Brett
1st Mon each month
7-8pm, Pitcairn House Community Hall, St Thomas' Square, E9 6PT.



Cllr Hanson
2nd Wed each month
7-8pm, New Kingsfold Community Centre, 49 Ainsworth Road, E9 7JE.



Cllr Taylor
3rd Wed each month
2-3pm, Salvation Army Building, 70 Mare Street, E8 4RT.

16. SHACKLEWELL



Cllrs Michelle Gregory & Richard Lufkin (on a rota basis)
1st Fri each month
6-7pm, Dalston CLR James Library, Dalston Lane, E8 3BQ.



Monthly roving surgeries or meetings by prior arrangement.



Contact councillors via e-mail: michelle.gregory@hackney.gov.uk or richard.lufkin@hackney.gov.uk; or call members services on: 020 8356 3373.

21. WOODBERRY DOWN



Cllrs Jon Burke & Caroline Selman (on a rota basis)
1st Sat each month
10-11am, Joseph Court Community Hall, Amhurst Park, N16 5AJ.



2nd Sat each month
10-11am, Woodberry Down Community Organisation office, Unit 2c Rowan Apartments, Seven Sisters Road, N4 1NS.



3rd Sun each month
10-11am, Ben Simons Community Hall, Block 1-66, Lincoln Court, Bethune Road, N16.
4th Thurs each month
6.30-7.30pm, Amwell Court Community Hall, Portland Rise, N4 2NY.

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1) AND 16A: PROPOSED AND MADE NOTICES

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 SECTION 14(1) AND 16A: NOTICES OF PROPOSED AND MADE ORDERS

WE, THE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY, GIVE NOTICE THAT WE INTEND TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING ORDERS IN THE FIRST PART OF THE TABLE BELOW, AND HAVE MADE THE ORDERS IN THE SECOND PART OF THE TABLE, IN EACH CASE FOR THE REASONS AND DURATION DATES STATED AND WITH ALTERNATIVE DIVERSION ROUTES AVAILABLE

ANDY CUNNINGHAM, HEAD OF STREETSCENE, 11 JANUARY 2016

PROPOSED RESTRICTION (PROPOSED NOTICE)

REF NO.	ROAD NAME	RESTRICTION	REASON	LOCATION	DIVERSION ROUTE	WORK START DATE	WORK END DATE
P1916	Durrington Road E5	Footway Closure	Thames Water Works	Both sides, From its junction with Ashenden Road to its junction with Colne Road	Opposite side of Footway	02-Feb-16	09-Mar-16
P1932	Drysdale Street N1	Road Closure	Virgin Media Works	From its junction with Kingsland Road to its junction with Drysdale Place	Via local signage	25-Jan-16	27-Jan-16
P1955	Paul Street EC2A	Footway Closure	Building Works	South east side, From its Junction with Leonard Street to its junction with Mark Street	Opposite side of Footway	25-Jan-16	24-Jul-17
P1955-1	Mark Street EC2A	Footway Closure	Building Works	North side, From its junction with Paul Street in a easterly direction for a distance of 35 metres	Opposite side of Footway	25-Jan-16	24-Jul-17
P1955-2	Leonard Street EC2A	Footway Closure	Building Works	South side, From its junction with Paul Street in a easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Opposite side of Footway	25-Jan-16	24-Jul-17
P1962	Parkholme Road E8	Road Closure	Road Resurface	From its junction with Queensbridge Road to its junction with Richmond Road	Via local signage	25-Jan-16	05-Feb-16
P1967	Sylvester Road E8	Road Closure	Thames Water Works	From a point in line with the property boundary no 2 & 2a to property boundary no 2 & 4	Via local signage	25-Jan-16	29-Jan-16
P1971	Mackintosh Lane E9	Road Closure	Thames Water Works	Both sides, From its junction with Homerton High Street to its junction with Sedgwick Street	Via local signage	25-Jan-16	19-Feb-16
P1973	Rookwood Road N16	Waiting Restrictions	Bus Stop Accessibility Scheme	North East side, From its Junction with Castlewood Road to a point in line with the property boundary no 4 Rookwood Road	Not Required	25-Jan-16	24-Feb-16
P1974	Bentley Road E8	Road Closure	Vodafone Works	From its junction with Balls Pond Road in a southern direction for a distance of 19 metres	Via local signage	06-Feb-15	07-Feb-16
P1975	Redchurch Street E2	Road Closure	Crane Operation	From its junction with Shoreditch High Street to its junction with Ebor Street	Via local signage	30-Jan-16	30-Jan-16
P1975-1	Boundary Street E2	Road Closure	Crane Operation	From its junction with Redchurch Street in a North westerly direction for a distance of 20 metres	Via local signage	30-Jan-16	30-Jan-16
P1976	Tyssen Street E8	Road Closure	Crane Operation	From its junction with Ramsgate Street to its junction with Ghent Way	Via local signage	31-Jan-16	31-Jan-16
P1977	Imber Street N1	Road Closure	Gas Works	From its junction with Poole Street to its Junction with Wiltshire Row	Via local signage	25-Jan-16	21-Feb-16
P1978	Scrutton Street EC2A	Road Closure & Introduction of Two way Traffic	Installation of Telecomms Ducts	(1). From its junction with Clifton Street in a south eastern direction for a distance of 20 metres (2). From its junction with Holywell Row to a point 20 metres south east of its junction with Clifton Street	Via local signage	30-Jan-16	31-Jan-16
P1980	Swinerton Street E9	Waiting Restrictions	Thames Water Works	Both sides, From its Junction with Mabley Street to its junction with Edmeston Close	Not Required	01-Feb-16	

CONFIRMED RESTRICTION (MADE NOTICE)

P1887-1	Albion Road N16	Road Closure	Carriageway Repairing Works	From its junction with Green Lanes to its junction with Clissold Crescent	Via local signage	18-Jan-16	22-Jan-16
P1959	Avebury Street N1	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Poole Street in a north westerly direction for a distance of 20 metres	Via local signage	11-Jan-16	15-Jan-16
P1958	Bache's Street N1	Road Closure	Crane Operation	From its junction with Brunswick Place to its junction with Corsham Street	Via local signage	11-Jan-16	11-Jan-16
P1966	Bethune Road N16	Waiting & Loading Restriction	Thames Water Works	South west side, From a point in line with the property boundary no 77 & 79 to a point in line with the property boundary no 81 & 83-95 Meadowcroft	Not Required	18-Jan-16	22-Jan-16
P1952	Boleyn Road N16	Footway Closure	Building Works	North East side, Between points 56 metres and 82 metres south east of its junction with Bradbury Street	Opposite side of Footway	11-Jan-16	08-Jul-17
P1942	Britannia Walk N1	Road Closure	BT Works	From its junction with City Road in a north easterly direction for a distance of 30 metres	Via local signage	11-Jan-16	13-Jan-16
P1969	Colne Road E5	Waiting Restriction & Footway Closure	Thames Water Works	Both sides, From its junction with Daubeney Road to its junction with Roding Road	Opposite side of Footway	11-Jan-16	29-Feb-16
P1970	Daubeney Road E5	Waiting Restriction & Footway Closure	Thames Water Works	Both sides, From its junction with Ashenden Road in a north westerly direction to a point in line with the property boundary no 114 & 116	Opposite side of Footway	11-Jan-16	09-Mar-16
P1957	Downs Road E5	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From a point in line with the property boundary no 1 & 3 to a point in line with the property boundary no 9 & 11	Via local signage	18-Jan-16	19-Feb-16
P1945	East Road N1	Bus Lane Suspension & Footway Closure	Duct Installation Works	(1). South East side, From its junction with New North Road to a point 25 metres north west of its junction with Beviden Street (2). North west Side, From a point line with property boundary number 95/97 to in a north westerly direction for a distance of 70 metres	Not Required	11-Jan-16	19-Jan-16
P1951	Goldsmith Row E2	Footway Closure	Building Works	South East side, From its junction with Goldsmith Square in a north easterly direction for a distance of 15 metres	Opposite side of Footway	11-Jan-16	28-Mar-16
P1964	Holywell Row EC2A	Footway Closure	Fire Hydrant Repairing	North west side, Between points 16 metres and 37metres south west of from a point in line with the property boundary no 28 & 29	Opposite side of Footway	11-Jan-16	13-Jan-16
P1940	Hoxton Street N1	Road Closure	Highway Refurbishment Works	From its junction with Old Street to its junction with Drysdale Street	Via local signage	11-Jan-16	19-Feb-16
P1960-1	Hyde Road N1	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	Between points 60 metres and 80 metres south east of its junction with Northport Street	Via local signage	18-Jan-16	24-Jan-16
P1937	King John Court EC2A	Road Closure	UKPN Works	From its junction with Holywell Lane in a North direction for a distance of 50 metres	Via local signage	11-Jan-16	22-Jan-16
P1965	Orsman Road N1	Footway Closure	Building Works	North east side, From a point in line with the property boundary no 4A & 4B to a point in line with the property boundary no 8 to 14	Opposite side of Footway	11-Jan-16	11-Jan-17
P1953	Otley Terrace E5	Footway Closure	BT Works	North East side, Between points 6 metres and 44 metres south east of its junction with Lea Bridge Road	Opposite side of Footway	11-Jan-16	13-Jan-16
P1949	Paul Street EC2A	Road Closure & Introduce temporary two way traffic	Utility Works	(1). From its junction with Worship Street in a north easterly direction for a distance of 20 metres (2). From its Junction with Worship Street to its junction with Scrutton Street	Via local signage	11-Jan-16	12-Jan-16
P1960	Penn Street N1	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Harvey Street in a westerly direction for a distance of 20 metres	Via local signage	18-Jan-16	24-Jan-16
P1957-1	Rendlesham Road E5	Road Closure	Traffic Management Work	From its junction with Downs Road in a north direction for a distance of 15 metres	Via local signage	18-Jan-16	19-Feb-16
P1924-1	Rosina Street E9	Road & Footway Closures	Crane Operation	From its junction with Homerton High Street to its entire length	Not Required	12-Jan-16	13-Jan-16
P1961	Well Street E9	Zebra Crossing Suspension	Traffic Management Work	O/S Building Number 66	Not Required	18-Jan-16	02-Feb-16
P1928	Worship Street EC2A	Road Closure	Crane Operation	From its junction with Clifton Street in north easterly direction to a point line with property boundary no 95 & 97	Via local signage	23-Jan-16 13-Feb-16	24-Jan-16 14-Feb-16
P1950	Worship Street EC2A	Road Closure	Crane Operation	From its junction with Appold Street to a point 55 metres north west of its junction with Norton Folgate (A10)	Via local signage	15-Jan-16	17-Jan-16

Unless otherwise stated all traffic notices are as follows: Dated this 9th day of August 2010
Seamus Adams, Assistant Director (Health and Community Services)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)



PLANNING

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY NOTICE UNDER THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS AND RELATED ORDERS

EC2

London College of Fashion 100 Curtain Road London EC2A 3AE Erection of single storey modular classroom building in existing car park area. 2015/4218 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

114 Curtain Road London EC2A 3AH Change of use Ground Floor unit from Sui Generis to flexible A1/B1. 2015/4425 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

1 Rivington Place Hackney London EC2A 3BA Change of use of part of the ground floor from Café (use class A3) to Educational Space (use class D1). Change of use of part of first floor from Educational Space (use class D1) to Office Space (use class B1). 2015/4385 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

2 Bath Place London EC2A 3DR Erection of two storey roof extension at fourth and fifth floor level in order to provide additional B1 floorspace. 2015/4213 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

The Viaduct Arches Great Western Street/Fairchild Place London EC2A Temporary change of use of viaduct arches from A1 (shops) to sui-generis (marketing suite and site welfare office) for a period of 5 years with associated elevational changes in connection with The Stage redevelopment. 2015/4349 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

The Griffin 93 Leonard Street London EC2A 4RD Internal alterations comprising removal of the existing plasterboard ceiling and joists, retention of existing timber knee braces and installation of a supporting exposed timber fitch beam and associated supporting steelwork, all at second floor level. 2015/4215 Affects Setting of a Listed Building

48 Scrutton Street London EC2A 4XQ Replacement doors and glazing to ground floor elevation on Scrutton Street. 2015/4523 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

31 Sun Street London EC2M 2PY Installation of signage to the Sun Street and Crown Place elevations. 2015/4088 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

31-35 Sun Street London EC2M 2PY External seating area on Crown Place opposite existing cafe. 2015/4087 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

E2

232 Kingsland Road London E2 8AX Erection of mansard roof extension at second floor level and internal reconfiguration at first floor level in order to provide 2 x studio flats. 2015/3910 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

230 Kingsland Road London E2 8AX Erection of mansard roof to facilitate enlargement of existing first floor flat. Erection of two storey rear extension at lower ground and ground floor level to facilitate enlargement of existing retail unit and ancillary office/storage areas. Associated alterations comprising replacement of uPVC windows to rear elevation with timber framed windows. 2015/4237 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Railway Arch 377, 379 and 380 Geffrye Street London E2 8HZ Replacement of existing doors and windows in Arches 377, 379 and 380 2015/4090 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

E5

91 Lower Clapton Road London E5 ONP Change of use of part ground floor from A1 retail to 1 x studio flat and external alterations to the rear ground floor 2015/4096 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

21 Ickburgh Road, London E5 8AF Erection of front lightwell containing basement bay window and stairs; removal of existing single-storey rear extension and erection of single-storey rear extension at ground floor level with rooflight; removal of existing rear dormer and erection of rear dormer extension at second floor/roof level; basement excavation to establish additional habitable areas with rear/ side courtyard at basement level and removal of building volume above; installation of three rooflights to main rear roof; establishment of additional front entry 2015/4149 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

192 Evering Road London E5 8AJ Excavation at basement

level to include lightwells to the front and rear elevation with courtyard at lower ground floor level to the rear. Proposal includes associated external alterations to include lowering of the front garden (REVISED DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT). 2015/3913 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

E8

66 Greenwood Road London E8 1AB Change of Use of ground floor from launderette (use class Sui Generis) to residential (use class C3) 2015/3506

4A & 4B Greenwood Road London E8 1AB Erection of part single storey full-width ground floor rear extension, part single storey first floor rear extension; basement excavation and creation of a light well at the rear of the building 2015/4423 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

66 Greenwood Road London E8 1AB Change of Use of ground floor from launderette (use class Sui Generis) to residential (use class C3) 2015/3506 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Royal Oak 83 Wilton Way London E8 1BG Partial demolition of existing roof to main building, Proposed single storey roof extension to main building. Demolition of existing 1 storey building to rear (fronting onto Royal Oak Road). Construction of new part-1, part-2, part-4 storey infill building fronting onto Royal Oak Road. 2015/4320 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

383-385 Mare Street London E8 1HY First and second floor extensions to provide 3 no. residential flats (2 X 1 bed and 1 X 3 bed). Ground floor rear access from Gould Terrace revised with provision of separate entrances to retail and residential units. Associated changes to both front and rear facades including new windows and doors, facade treatment and provision of balconies for residential units to rear. New green living roof to building including roof lights. 2015/4327 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area, Affects Setting of a Listed Building

248 Dalston Lane London E8 1JG Erection of a mansard roof extension to create a 1-bedroom self-contained flat 2015/4147 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

7-19 Amhurst Road London E8 1LL Variation of Condition 3 (no subdivision/short stay) of planning permission 2015/2379 granted 02/07/2015 to allow subdivision of Hotel (C1) floorspace. 2015/4245 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

23-25 Ridley Road London E8 2NP An application to vary condition 5 (hours of operation of A1/A3 unit at ground floor and basement levels) of 2014/2389 (redevelopment of site to create a three storey (plus basement) building comprising flexible commercial use (A1/A3) at ground floor and basement levels and 4 residential units (2x1, 2x3 bed) at basement, ground and upper floors) For the purposes of consultation only: Hours of operation (open to the public) allowed under 2014/4503: 0900 to 2200 Monday to Sunday inclusive Hours operation (open to the public) sought: 0900 to 2300 Monday to Wednesday inclusive and Sundays 0900 to 0000 (midnight) Friday and Saturday 2015/4503 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

346 Queensbridge Road, London E8 3AR Conversion to create one 3-bed, 5-person flat and two 2-bed, 3-person flats; reduction in size of shop (A1 use class); erection of mansard roof extension to create additional level at third floor; erection of part two, part three-storey rear extension (with mansard roof over three-storey portion); green roof for two-storey portion; establishment of rear terrace at first floor level; removal of single-storey outbuilding in rear garden; alterations to side elevation of existing building; associated internal refuse storage 2015/4244 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

142 Richmond Road London E8 3HN Replacement of existing French doors with bifolding doors to the rear elevation. Removal of existing steps and creation of replacement steps. Extension of existing terrace area. 2015/4406 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Land to the rear of 130-134 Richmond Road London E8 3HW Demolition of part of garden wall and shed in rear garden and erection of a three storey plus lower ground floor building, incorporating accommodation within the roof space, to the end of the existing terrace on 75 Malvern Road to accommodate seven flats. 2015/4238 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

300 Queensbridge Road Hackney London E8 3NH Demolition of the existing single storey rear addition and erection of part full-width ground floor rear extension, part half-width first floor rear extension, installation of new rear windows at first, second and third floor levels, replacement of window in the east second floor room, installation of new loft stair, erection of a dormer to the east roof slope, replacement of roof structure and covering 2015/4483 Affects Setting of a Listed Building, Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

300 Queensbridge Road Hackney London E8 3NH Demolition of the existing single storey rear addition and erection of part full-width ground floor rear extension, part half-width first floor rear extension, installation of new rear windows at first, second and third floor levels, replacement

of window in the east second floor room, installation of new loft stair, erection of a dormer to the east roof slope, replacement of roof structure and covering 2015/4492 Affects Setting of a Listed Building, Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

288 Queensbridge Road London E8 3NH Replacement of existing two storey rear addition roof with new roof together with three roof lights and erection of single storey side and rear ground floor extension. 2015/3794 Affects Setting of a Listed Building

2 Westgate Street London E8 3RN Change of use from D1 and part A1 to B1 usage. 2015/4131 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

9 Helmsley Place London E8 3SB Erection of part one, part two, part three-storey roof extension to existing two storey warehouse building in order to provide 9 residential units (5x3 bed and 4x2 bed) together with change of use of ground and first floor from B8 (storage and distribution) to B1 (office) plus single storey side extension to north elevation, two storey side extension to south elevation and basement excavation in order to provide additional commercial floorspace. 2015/3600 Major Development

558 Kingsland Road London E8 4AH Retrospective listed building consent for a replacement shopfront and internal alterations at ground floor level in association with the change of use from an insurance office shop (A2 use class) to currency exchange (A2 use class) and 1-bedroom residential flat (C3 use class) at ground floor level. Installation of internally illuminated fascia sign measuring 1.4m x 4.75m x 0.196m, internally illuminated projecting sign measuring 0.61m x 0.94m x 0.176m, and other signs to include digital screen measuring and other vinyl graphs applied to the shopfront. 2015/3937 Listed Building Consent

51 Albion Drive London E8 4LT Erection of part single, part two storey rear extension, excavation to rear elevation to form basement and lightwell 2015/4009 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

3 Dericote Street London E8 4PG Erection of a two storey 1x2 bedroom house to the rear of 3 Dericote Street. 2015/4326 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

7-19 Amhurst Road London E8 1LL Variation of Condition 3 (no subdivision/short stay) of planning permission 2015/2379 granted 02/07/2015 to allow subdivision of Hotel (C1) floorspace. 2015/4245 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

E9

20 Brookfield Road Hackney London E9 5AH Erection of roof extension to convert hipped roof to flat roof and erection of roof extension to rear outrigger at second floor level. Associated works comprising insertion of 1no. rooflight to front slope. 2015/3505 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Homerton Baptist Church Barnabas Road London E9 5SD Erection of a 6 storey plus basement building to accommodate a place of worship at ground and basement floor levels and 24 residential flats on the upper floors. 2015/3968 Major Development

9 Sutton Place London E9 6EH Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of new closet wing. Minor internal changes including removal of partitions and minor reconfiguration of base of stair to lower ground floor.

2015/4328 Affects Setting of a Listed Building, Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

9 Groombridge Road London E9 7DP Demolition of existing single-storey ground floor rear extension and erection of a single-storey ground floor full-width rear extension; Erection of a full-width dormer roof rear extension 2015/4393 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Land rear of 223 Victoria Park Road London E9 7HD Erection of three-storey (including basement) 1-bed dwellinghouse, accessed from Banbury Road. 2015/4434 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

N1

1.5 Ardleigh Road London N1 4HS Change of use of the ground, first and second floors of the property from an Art gallery to residential self-contained flat 2015/3980 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

37 Stamford Road London N1 4JP Erection of single storey outbuilding in rear garden. 2015/3389 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

16A Stamford Road London N1 4JS Erection of a single storey ground floor rear extensions to north side and south side and reconfiguration of existing three bedroom maisonette into a three bedroom flat ground floor and 1x1 bed flat at first floor 2015/3530 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

14-17 De Beauvoir Square London N1 4LD Demolition and rebuilding of rear boundary walls to 14-17 De Beauvoir Square in order to facilitate development at 92 De Beauvoir Rd. 2015/4376 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Rear Garden Walls to 14-17 DeBeauvoir Square / Rear of 92 De Beauvoir Road De Beauvoir Square London N1 4LD

Demolition and rebuilding of rear boundary walls to 14-17 De Beauvoir Square in order to facilitate development at 92 De Beauvoir Rd. 2015/4188 Listed Building Consent

N4

Formerly Royal Park Hotel 350 Seven Sisters Road London N4 2PG Erection of two 5 storey (plus basement) semi-detached buildings and one part 5, part 4 part 3 storey (plus basement) building (all interlinked at ground floor and basement levels) to provide for a 151 room hostel with works to the front and rear including landscaping, play areas, disabled car parking and cycle parking. 2015/4378 Major Development

Woodberry Down Hackney London N4 2TG Variation of Condition 2 (Drawings) attached to permission 2015/0533, dated 14/07/2015 (Highway improvement works to Woodberry Down (road) comprising of resurfacing of the road and pavement; installation of tree and shrub planters; replacement street lighting, bus shelters and a bin store adjacent to Keynsham House) to include minor realignment of the kerbs, realignment of the tree planters, amendments to the public realm adjacent to Block E, additional parking demarcation and revision of lighting columns, along with the removal of condition 6 (Submission of Lighting details) and the rewording of condition 7 (Public Realm within Transport for London land). 2015/4301 Affects Setting of a Listed Building

N16

Stoke Newington Town Hall Stoke Newington Church Street London N16 0JR Listed Building Consent: Replacement roof coverings to the existing flat roofs (R05, R10, R14, R15, R17). Repair and alteration works (where new roof covering has increased roof levels) to rainwater goods. External repairs to all elevations, including replacement bricks where bricks are missing or severely delaminated, and repointing where mortar is missing or deteriorating. Removal, repair, and reinstatement of the three front elevation balconies, including stonework repair to the associated building area. Repair works to four crittall steel windows, and two original timber windows. Provision of two ladders (R14), fall arrest system to various roofs (R10, R14), and Handrail provision (R05). 2015/4565 Listed Building Consent and Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Abney Park Chapel Abney Park Cemetery Hackney, Stoke Newington N16 0LH Listed Building Consent: Structural repairs to Chapel, including re-roofing and repairs to stonework, including provision of protective mesh to window openings. 2015/4584 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area, Affects Setting of a Listed Building

Gujarat House, 145 Stoke Newington Church Street, London, N16 0UG Erection of two satellite dishes to rear elevation and removal of seven existing satellite dishes on rear elevation. 2015/4246 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

162 Osbaldeston Road Hackney London N16 6NJ Erection of single-storey rear extension at ground floor level. 2015/4283 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

2 Sanford Lane London N16 7JS Retention of the excavation of rear courtyard to provide lightwell for ancillary basement and a window to replace a rear door at ground floor level. 2015/3839 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

Land adjacent to 1 Jenner Road, London N16 7SB Removal of existing structures; removal of existing trees and vegetation; erection of three-storey, 4-bedroom (with roof structures/privacy screens above) dwellinghouse; contemporary design with green roof above acting as roof terrace; establishment of landscaping and hardscaping; establishment of boundary treatments and opening; erection of retaining structure; establishment of cycle and refuse storage; establishment of sustainable urban drainage; utilisation of energy strategy 2015/4574 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

33 Newington Green, London N16 9PR Removal of existing roller shutter door from front elevation at ground floor level and installation of black-painted timber doors; installation of replacement white/grey-painted, double-glazed, timber-framed windows to front elevation at ground, first and second floor levels in same position and same dimensions; installation of associated pigeon-repellent coil to windows 2015/4542 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

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Ian Rae, Head of Development Management, 11 January, 2016

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